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Ministers question official optimism on interim agreement

By DAVID LANDAU
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OPINIONS WERE divided in the Cabinet yesterday as to the wisdom of the officially-inspired "optimism" recently emanating from Jerusalem. There was no explicit disagreement on the substance of the proposals advanced by the interim Sinai accord negotiating team: they were endorsed unanimously. But several ministers felt the differences over tactics might well develop into differences over substance as the talks enter their critical last stage.

The Cabinet spent half of its five-hour session hearing the negotiating team's report on the present state of the negotiations. An official communique said the Cabinet had "taken note" of the team's latest responses as transmitted through Dr. Kissinger to Egypt.

No final date was set for Dr. Kissinger's shuttle trip. The ministers wished to await the arrival of further information from Cairo before considering the shuttle.

A well-placed observer noted though, that if Dr. Kissinger is determined to come next week — as has been reported from Washington — Israel had no option but to welcome him. The Secretary of State had pledged to come only if the agreement was "90 per cent" concluded — and it must be solely for him to judge if this was in fact the case.

A tentative looking has been mad for the Kissinger party at the King David Hotel from next Monday, it is learned.

Earlier in the day, Premier Rabin told newsmen that there had been "movement" in recent weeks, but differences still existed on key issues. "We are trying to clarify them," he said at a press conference with Mexican President Echeverria. Until they were clarified he preferred not to engage in public speculation as to the chances of an accord, Mr. Rabin said.

Some hawkish ministers apparently felt on hearing the team's report that this "movement" — which had been greeted with enthusiasm in Jerusalem last week — was really less spectacular than the media had implied.

"The optimism had no basis in fact," one hawk said later. "It was a grave mistake." Egypt's "movement" had been in effect a climb-down from deliberately excessive demands. Basic differences still remained on key issues — such as the operation of the Umm Hashiba surveillance station, the size and scope of the American presences in the Passes, some sectors of the line of withdrawal, and political aspects of the accord.

Ministers Ya'acobi, Burg, Raphael, Hausner and Hillel joined in criticizing the media, and especially the television, for painting too rosy a picture. Their criticism was plainly directed obliquely at the negotiating team members themselves, who, the implication was, had briefed newsmen and guided their assessments.

Several middle-of-the-road ministers tended to agree with this criticism on tactical grounds, arguing that overmuch optimism weakened Israel's bargaining position.

The doves, however, seemed comfortable with the media's optimism and, while not minimizing the obstacles still to be negotiated, believed the end of the road was in sight.

Mr. Rabin and team-members Allon and Peres did not respond to this criticism of the media optimism.

Cabinet sources said the team had presented a united front on the substance of the negotiations. They had offered certain minor concessions during last week — but these had been "within the framework" of the proposal approved by the Cabinet earlier, and no minister dissented from them.

Today, Mordechai Gazit, the outgoing Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, and Meir Rosenne, the Legal Adviser at the Foreign Ministry, leave for Washington to discuss the political and legal details of the accord with U.S. officials.

Before the Cabinet meeting yesterday, ministers and officials joined in a "lehaim" for Mr. Gazit and for his successor, Mr. Amos Eran, who took up his duties yesterday.

Golan talks next on the agenda, but hopes slim

By WOLF I. BLITZER
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WASHINGTON. — The U.S. has informed Syria that Israel has agreed in principle to begin negotiations for a partial pullback on the Golan Heights immediately after Israel and Egypt implement an interim accord in Sinai, reliable sources said yesterday.

Israel's acceptance of interim accord negotiations with Syria has been one of the major factors that has led the Egyptians to make additional concessions during the current round of talks, the sources said. President Sadat has long been on record as insisting that negotiations on the Syrian front must follow another partial agreement in Sinai.

The negotiations with Syria would probably be conducted through Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's good offices.

American officials concede that the negotiations with Syria will be more difficult and more protracted than the talks with Egypt, but insist that progress on that front must be attempted. Over the past weeks and months, Kissinger has impressed upon Israel officials the necessity of agreeing to start negotiations with Syria once the talks with Egypt are concluded, the sources said.

The Israel-Egyptian agreement is expected to have a minimum three-year duration, during which time there will be a freeze on negotiations on the Egyptian front. But all the parties understand that negotiations should be attempted on the other fronts during that period.

Although Prime Minister Rabin has said publicly that he prefers to negotiate only an overall settlement with Syria and not a partial pullback, he has apparently reconsidered his position.

The sources said that Israel will attempt to reach an interim agreement with Syria that would include only "non-substantial" territorial concessions. But they conceded that Syria would no doubt insist that Israel implement a more massive retreat.

Thus the sources readily acknowledge that a stalemate is possible, if not likely.

But if the Israel-Syrian talks end in failure, the sources continued, Israel has a commitment from Washington that the two countries will adopt a coordinated policy at the Geneva conference.

Argentine reshuffle expected

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Some local newspapers published reports yesterday of an "imminent" cabinet reshuffle in President Isabel Peron's government.

Official spokesmen declined comment, but some government sources said they expected "some changes."

The leading newspaper "La Opinion" said: "This will be the final effort to preserve the government of Mrs. Peron."

"La Opinion" and the daily newspaper "La Nacion" said there were "pressures" to replace Mrs. Peron's ministers of foreign relations, education and labour, who were closely associated with Jose Lopez Rega, her sacked powerful confidential secretary and welfare minister who now is in Spain.

The "62 organizations," a labour group, on Friday called for a "deep reorganization of the government and the Peronist party."

If there is a cabinet overhaul, it would be the third in less than 30 days. Seven ministers were replaced in two previous cabinet reshuffles last month, including Lopez Rega.

"La Opinion" also said that a new cabinet reorganization would "affect" the whole eight-man cabinet except Defence Minister Jorge Garrido.

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Histadrut sacks Moshe Levy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Maverick Seamen's (Seatings) Union secretary Moshe Levy is to be deprived of Histadrut membership and of the Labour Federation's facilities. This emerged from yesterday's meeting of the Histadrut's central committee which instructed its trade union department to carry out the step.

Last June, Levy took it upon himself to call a strike of the merchant fleet in defiance of the Histadrut and his union colleagues.

Uriel Abrahamovitz, chairman of the trade union department said at the time that "we've got to tell the public there is no connection between us and this man." But Levy has continued to draw a Histadrut salary.

The central committee yesterday found it could not dismiss an elected secretary but concluded that it could prevent Levy from using a Histadrut office, funds, and rubber stamp.

Squatters seize Ashdod flats

ASHDOD. — Several dozen young couples last night took over an empty apartment building here that has been set aside for new immigrants — vowing they will not move until their housing demands are met.

A spokesman for the squatters told *The Jerusalem Post* that they decided on this drastic step following their inconclusive meeting with Housing Minister Avraham Ofer earlier in the day (Flats empty, page 3).

Police had not yet arrived on the scene by press time last night.

Bomb explodes in empty bus

By MORDECHAI ZASLOW
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMONA. — A bomb exploded in an empty bus here early yesterday. Damage was slight. The bus, belonging to Egged, had carried Arab workers from Hebron to factories in this area. It had been in the parking lot for an hour when the explosion occurred under the rear wheel.

Police have questioned 70 people, including all the workers on the bus. Ten arrests have been made and the investigation is continuing.

SUMMER SHOWERS

AUGUST RAIN is rare, and yesterday was one of those rare days when the rain came down in places as far apart as Jerusalem, Ashkelon and parts of the Dan metropolitan area. The unexpected moisture was accompanied by temperatures lower than normal.

The amount of rainfall, if it were measurable since measurements start at one-tenth of a millimetre, will have to remain a secret for the time being since the weathermen are still on strike.

Furthermore, officially, the meteorological service doesn't start counting rain drops for another month.

CONFRONTATION WITH IRAQ — The official Syrian Arab News Agency yesterday distributed this photograph from Aleppo to illustrate what the authorities are doing to tackle the water shortage, said to be due to Iraqi obstruction on the Euphrates dam project. The agency said the Government was distributing water to Aleppans to crush black-marketeering in the vital community. (AP radiophoto)

Water crisis in Syria

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Syria's Minister for the Euphrates dam, Subhi Kahalah, said yesterday that prompt measures should be taken to avert a water shortage in Northern and Eastern Syria.

Kahalah told the press here that, under an order given by President Hafez Assad, Syria was giving Iraq more than its due share of the waters of the Euphrates, which rises in Turkey and flows through Syria and Iraq. This had led to a drop in the water supply in the lake behind the dam, an increase in silt and a halt to the pumping of water to Aleppo.

"We appeal to the higher Syrian authorities to take prompt measures to save Northern and Eastern Syria from thirst and a water crisis," Kahalah said.

(Iraqi Irrigation Minister Makram Talabani charged on Saturday that Syrian complaints of a water shortage were aimed at paving the way for cutting off the water supply to Iraq.)

Lisbon moderates hope to oust junta leader

By FENTON WHEELER

LISBON (AP). — A dissident armed forces leader said yesterday his opposition group believes it will force Premier Vasco Goncalves from office, perhaps this week, and substitute a moderate programme for the Goncalves Communist-line policies.

Indicating that the nation's worst political and military crisis, in the 15 months since the end of the Lisbon dictatorship, was still undecided, air force Major Jose Canto Castro said the dissident officers had the secret support of President Francisco da Costa Gomes and internal security chief Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho, who with Goncalves make up Portugal's ruling three-general junta.

He said a test of the moderates' bid to gain control would come if the junta called a meeting of the 29-member Revolutionary Council from which he and eight fellow officers were suspended on Saturday by the junta.

The suspensions came in the face of growing civilian and military opposition to Goncalves' rule.

The suspension of the nine officers from the Council, the nation's supreme authority before the three generals assumed their virtually unlimited powers, followed the circulation of a paper critical of Goncalves and his veer to the left.

Support from army barracks throughout the country for the dissidents' position came a few hours after Goncalves swore in a stopgap military-civilian government in an effort to alleviate the month-old crisis.

The moderates' position also won backing from Portugal's two biggest parties, the Socialists and the Popular Democrats, winners of 64 per cent of the vote in the only test of public opinion since the armed forces ousted the rightist dictatorship. The Communists denounced it.

Maj. Canto Castro said he did not think he and the moderate officers in the council led by former Foreign Minister Maj. Ernesto Melo Antunes would be voted out of the Council.

He said that, despite the junta's disciplinary action suspending the nine and ordering them to report to their superiors for reassignment, Costa Gomes had assured the nine they would not be transferred. Two of the group command half of Portugal's military regions.

Canto Castro said the moderates had enough votes in the all-military Council to get approval of their programme. He said he expected Goncalves to resign if that happened. But the first test was whether the junta would convene the council, now downgraded to an advisory body. Only the junta has the power to summon the 29 officers to meet.

After a week of anti-Government violence that took four lives, northern Portugal had a quiet weekend.

PLO to strive for Israel's ouster

BEIRUT (UPI). — The executive committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the roof body of anti-Israel terrorist groups, decided yesterday to "escalate the struggle in international forums with the aim of gaining greater support for the Palestinian cause and expelling Israel from the United Nations."

S. Africa eases currency controls

PRETORIA (AP). — South Africa is to ease foreign exchange control regulations, Finance Minister Owen Horwood announced in a statement here today.

Borrowing of funds abroad would be allowed for some transactions and blocked rands would be made directly transferable between non-residents.

Horwood has been pressed by banking and commercial leaders to relax exchange control regulations. Last week the powerful Afrikaanse Handelsinstituut, one of the country's most important business bodies, called for revision of exchange control and especially the blocked control rand system.

BULLETIN

Portuguese Communists firing guns from inside their headquarters yesterday wounded at least 10 participants in a Catholic demonstration that drew tens of thousands of persons to the northern town of Braga. Police said the shootings came after marchers, heading home from the demonstration, exchanged insults with Communists standing outside their headquarters. (See above).

A radio message received in Darwin, Australia, last night claimed a coup d'etat had been staged in Portuguese Timor, the Portuguese island territory north of Australia.

Aid negotiators off to Washington

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

THE ECONOMIC delegation to discuss U.S. aid for the current year left for Washington yesterday. The delegation is headed by Arnon Gafni, Director General of the Finance Ministry, and includes the economic advisers to the Finance Minister, Defence Minister and Chief of Staff, respectively Ephraim Dovrat, David Kochav and Yitzhak Elrom.

Israel has requested $2,500m. in military and economic aid in addition to grants of $350m. for oil supplies and $150m. for building a new line in Sinai in the event of a further withdrawal.

The aid request includes $1,800m. for military purposes, $324m. for economic aid, $100m. to resettle Jews from the Soviet Union, and $250m. in surplus food.

The main points to be argued are the total sum and what part will be an outright grant. The U.S. Administration is known to approve the $1,800m. requested for military and economic aid. Its position on the $500m. for the Sinai line and oil is yet unknown.

Negotiations will open in Washington on Wednesday and will last for one week. Under-Secretary of State Joseph Sisco will head the U.S. delegation. Mr. Gafni will later attend the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

Chilean mission to Arab world

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP). — Chile is to send a high ranking group headed by 'superminister' Jorge Cauas to visit the Arab countries next October, the daily "Elmercurio" reported yesterday.

It said the visit would represent the culmination of a "continued process in the improvement of friendly relations and cooperation between our country and the Arab world."

Cauas, who is the Minister of Economy, will be accompanied by the President of the Central Bank, Pablo Baraona, as well as representatives from the Foreign Ministry, the newspaper added.

10 firemen lost in German forest blaze

LUENEBURG, West Germany (AP). — Six firemen burned to death yesterday and another four were missing, presumed dead, when their fire engine was trapped in one of 20 forest fires sweeping northern Germany.

Police said they found the charred bodies near the wrecked engine that had a crew of 10. Rescuers were unable to approach the truck which was still engulfed in flames and police presumed the four missing men were also dead.

The fires started on Friday in the vicinity of Gifhorn, a small town near Brunswick. Gifhorn fire chief Friedrich Meyer died from heart failure that day and several other fire fighters were taken to hospitals with smoke poisoning.

Echeverria in active moves to advance Mideast peace

By DAVID LANDAU
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MEXICAN PRESIDENT Luis Echeverria appeared to confirm yesterday that he was attempting to arrange face-to-face negotiations between Premier Rabin and President Sadat of Egypt. At a farewell press conference in Jerusalem, Mr. Echeverria said he had sent his foreign minister to Cairo from Jerusalem on Friday "in an effort to take a step forward in negotiations that are possible between Israel and Egypt."

The Jerusalem Post reported exclusively yesterday that the purpose of the foreign minister's mission was to sound out President Sadat on the possibility of a face-to-face meeting with Mr. Rabin.

Well-placed Mexican observers familiar with their President's formulations told *The Post* yesterday that the press conference statement "did not contradict" *The Post* report.

Israel officials confirmed that Rabin had stressed to Echeverria in their political talks on Thursday that he was prepared to meet Sadat "any time, any place."

Echeverria said at the press conference that he had found the Israel premier's attitude "very favourable and positive." Rabin, he said, was "open to negotiation, open to dialogue and to exchange of ideas."

As a result of their talks on Thursday, Echeverria explained, he had decided to dispatch his foreign minister, Emilio Rabaso, to Cairo to determine if a similarly favourable attitude existed there.

(The Mexican president and his party visited Egypt for four days last week.)

Echeverria said he would meet up with Rabaso later yesterday in Jordan, to hear Egypt's reply. Whatever that reply was, he said, the mission would have been a worthwhile — if small — contribution towards peace in this region.

The initiative, which Echeverria termed "discreet but not secret," had been undertaken "in a friendly spirit, to help to contribute to peace... We will have been able to contribute in a tangible way, to this first small step..."

Echeverria characterized his talks with Rabin and Foreign Ministrer Yigal Allon as "very cordial and very detailed," and he praised the Premier's "direct and analytical" approach.

A joint communique said the talks had been held "in an at-

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YOU CAN TAKE IT FROM ME, Golda Meir seems to be telling Mexican President Luis Echeverria when he called on the former Prime Minister yesterday, shortly before ending his Israel tour. (Simionsky, for Israel Sun)

Cairo sees talks nearing finality

By ANAN SAFADI
Post Middle East Affairs Correspondent

U.S. AMBASSADOR to Cairo Hermann Eilts was last night due to meet Egyptian President Anwar Sadat for talks which observers thought could be decisive in the current negotiations for an interim settlement in Sinai. Eilts returned earlier yesterday to the Egyptian capital from Washington, carrying Israel's response to Cairo's latest stand on an interim accord.

Shortly after his arrival in Cairo, the American ambassador drove to Alexandria for what the semi-official "Al-Ahram" newspaper termed an "urgent meeting" with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy. Eilts was due to confer with Sadat later at the Mediterranean resort of Mersa Matruh. Egyptian Government officials yesterday disclosed that Sadat had met on Saturday night with the U.S. Charge d'Affaires in Cairo, Frank Maistrone. No details were made available, and it was not clear whether this meeting was part of last-minute clarifications on the latest exchange of views among Jerusalem, Washington and Cairo with regard to the interim agreement.

"Al-Ahram" said yesterday that U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger hopes for an agreement on an interim settlement in Sinai before the forthcoming non-aligned foreign ministers' conference in Lima, Peru, on August 24.

While voicing cautious optimism, the Egyptian Government itself has so far declined to say how close an agreement really is.

Cairo's prestigious "Rose el-Yousef" yesterday said that the current round of negotiations, the fourth since the U.S. resumed its latest efforts for the achievement of an interim accord, was now approaching its "final stages."

Indications in the Egyptian news media were that the gap between Cairo and Jerusalem was indeed being narrowed, although differences remained over substantial issues, still including the new line of separation, the duration of the interim settlement and its political components, as well as the surveillance of early warning stations, mainly at the strategic Gidi and Mitla Passes and south of Abu Rodeis.

Implying that he would be forthcoming towards settling differences, Sadat yesterday delivered a message to Mexican Foreign Minister Emilio Robasa, who had unexpectedly flown into Egypt on Saturday with a message from his president, Luis Echeverria, then in Israel.

Robasa yesterday joined President Echeverria in Amman where the Mexican leader arrived from Israel for a three-day state visit at the invitation of King Hussein.

The official Egyptian Middle East News Agency yesterday reported a government spokesman in Cairo as denying that the Mexican Foreign Minister had gone to Egypt to promote a meeting between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Sadat.

MENA quoted the spokesman as dismissing this report as "pure fantasy" and indicating that Robasa's mission was linked rather to current efforts aimed at narrowing the gap on an interim settlement, as well as the promotion of subsequent dialogues between Israel and its neighbours, chiefly Syria and Jordan.

It was announced in Cairo yesterday that Hussein is expected in Egypt on Saturday for talks with Sadat. The Jordan King was earlier quoted as planning to visit Damascus later this month for talks with President Hafez Assad.

An official government statement issued in Amman yesterday said that Hussein had turned down an invitation by Libya's Revolutionary Command Council to visit that country on September 1, anniversary of Mu'ammer Gaddafi's 1969 revolution against the monarchy in Libya.

The Amman announcement said that Hussein had apologized for being unable to make the trip because of "previous engagements." The announcement did not say what these engagements were.

Libya has often collaborated with the Palestine Liberation Organization in frequent calls to topple Hussein. The PLO's weekly "Falastin al-Thawra" yesterday renewed these calls, saying that Hussein's "regime remains a sworn enemy of the Palestinian people and the Arab nation."

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Social and Personal

The Israel Bond delegation of lawyers from Canada dined with Mr. Gideon Hausner, Minister without Portfolio, at the King David Hotel last night.

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Hanna Avidor, director of the Jewish Agency's Social Welfare Department, has been appointed an assistant director-general of the National Insurance Institute, in charge of welfare and rehabilitation.

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Dov Kedem, previously with the Ministry of Tourism and the Information Services of the Prime Minister's Office, has been appointed Public Relations and Press Officer at the Knesset.

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The Jerusalem West Rotary Club will hold a meeting at the King David Hotel at 7 this evening. The guest speaker is Professor Louis Goodman.

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The Jerusalem Lions Club will meet at the Hilton Hotel at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow (Tuesday). There will be a film and lecture on: "The War Against Drugs."

DEPARTURES

Moshe Neudorfer, director of the State Revenue Administration, for London, in connection with the double taxation agreement between the U.K. and Israel (by El Al).

Bigger top bureau for Labour seen

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The restyled leadership bureau, mooted to become a major Labour Party decision-making body — when it is finally set up — will probably comprise 51 members, party secretary general Meir Zarmi told *The Post* yesterday.

"We are now examining a list of possibles, representing key party men in government, the Histadrut, local authorities and other centres of influence. What we want is a leadership bureau which would be more acceptable to the bulk of the party," Zarmi said. He expects a list to be completed and approved by the central committee "within a number of weeks."

At present the leadership bureau comprises 26 members and the figure mentioned by Zarmi came after a proposal for a smaller group was held to be impractical because it would not encompass all trends in the party. On the other hand, some party leaders feared that an expanded bureau would prove unwieldy for effective decision making.

Zarmi said the forthcoming national convention of the party will have to tackle practical problems, such as organizational changes, general policy and economic and social issues. Ideology worries him less. "The Labour Party, whatever shape it took in the past, had room for all those who believe in constructive socialism — a motto coined by Beri Katznelson, which still holds good," Zarmi said. He does not overestimate the attacks on the party from left-wing splinter groups, such as the one led by Arye Eliav. "The party has always been under attack from many quarters, but survived," he said.

Tomato fight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — Arab tomato growers in Galilee say that canners have refused to accept their crop as not coming up to standard, but that in fact kibbutzim growing tomatoes for the industry get preferential treatment. The farmers have appealed to Deputy Agriculture Minister Sheikh Jaber Muadi for help, saying that several thousand tons of tomatoes are likely to perish unless harvested this week and sent to the canners.

Deputy Minister Muadi has promised to do everything possible. The Arab farmers said that if they do not get satisfaction, they will stage a sit-down strike outside the Knesset.

A HAGA EXERCISE will take place in the Rehovot district this afternoon. Explosions and firing will be heard during the exercise.

President Echeverria listens intently as student demonstrators outside Tel Aviv University tell him what they think about his cordial meeting with PLO leader Yasser Arafat in Egypt last week. (Keren)

Time now opportune for peace: Echeverria and Rabin

At the conclusion of his four-day state visit here, Mexican President Luis Echeverria affirmed to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin the "profound concern" his government feels in the face of the prolonged conflict in the Middle East and emphasized that, "in line with Mexico's peaceful vocation and its identification with the norms of international law," his country supports full implementation of resolutions 242 and 338 of the UN's Security Council.

In a joint communique issued here yesterday, both President Echeverria and Prime Minister Rabin said that the solution to the conflict should be on the basis of these resolutions. They also expressed the need for all states to proclaim their good will and solidarity and agreed that all parties to the conflict should take the necessary steps to bridge their differences, and refrain from the use or threat of use of force or violence in order to "eliminate the danger of war and establish a lasting and just peace in the region."

In the statement, Echeverria said that he shared Rabin's view "that the time was now opportune for an immediate peace settlement between Israel and her neighbours." Rabin affirmed that Israel would continue its efforts to find a way to understanding, cooperation and peaceful coexistence with its neighbours.

The communique referred to the "atmosphere of frankness and sincere cordiality" in which the meetings between Echeverria and Rabin were held. During these meetings, the statement continued, "they discussed the continued good relations between their two countries, as well as other topics of common interest, and particularly the situation prevailing in the Middle East. During the talks that were held, President Echeverria was accompanied by the Secretary of Foreign Relations, H.E. Emilio O. Rabasa, and Prime Minister Rabin was accompanied by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Yigal Allon."

(In reviewing the international situation, the statement went on, "the President and the Prime Minister share the belief that it is indispensable that all states intensify their efforts to ensure an era of peace and justice in the world. In this sense they reiterated their adherence and that of their countries to the charter of the UN — and reaffirmed their support for the principles contained therein.

"While referring to the world organization, the President and the Prime Minister reiterated their conviction that it must be strengthened by the active and full participation of all its members in keeping with the principle of sovereign equality of states, and therefore declare their unqualified adherence to the basic aim of the universality of the United Nations.

"Upon reviewing the state of international economic relations, they reached the conclusion that the crisis faced by the world economy requires fundamental measures for its solution and should allow for the establishment of a new, just, stable and fair international economic order. In this regard, President Echeverria underlined the importance that Mexico attaches to the full application by all states of the principles contained in the charter of economic rights and duties of states.

"The Prime Minister and the President reaffirmed the right of every state to dispose freely of its natural resources for the benefits of its people.

"President Echeverria reiterated the firm support that the Government of Mexico gives to the establishment of a nuclear weapon-free zone in the Middle East. Such a zone should be arrived at and modelled on the Tlatelolco Treaty and in the framework of a regional Middle East conference with the participation of all the states of the area.

"The President and the Prime Minister remarked with great satisfaction that ever since they were established, relations between their two countries have been carried on in an atmosphere of absolute respect and frank cooperation in the cultural, technical and scientific fields."

Both expressed their satisfaction at the signing, during the present visit, of a programme of action within the framework of the commercial agreement signed in July 1952, with the aim of intensifying the commercial exchange and cooperation in the fields of industry and exchange of technology. They likewise agreed upon an exchange of governmental and professional delegations. An Israeli delegation will visit Mexico at the beginning of 1976.

Convinced that a better reciprocal knowledge of their cultural values will contribute to consolidate the friendship and the mutual respect of the two peoples, the President and the Prime Minister agreed to convene, on the basis of the agreement on cultural exchanges, signed in 1959, a meeting of special delegations that will take place within the next 90 days, in order to prepare a protocol that should reflect more accurately the dynamic relations existing between Israel and Mexico.

The President of Mexico expressed his appreciation to the people and Government of Israel for the hospitality that he and the members of his party received during their stay in Israel, and to President Ephraim Katzir a cordial invitation to visit Mexico, which, the communique concluded, "President Katzir accepted with pleasure."

Echeverria soothes protesters before Tel Aviv ceremony

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mexican President Luis Echeverria told demonstrators at Tel Aviv University yesterday that he met with terror chief Yasser Arafat in Cairo only to tell him that "terror is not the way and that the Jews cannot be thrown into the sea."

The Mexican President mingled with the demonstrators after a ceremony on the campus in which he was awarded an honorary doctorate.

Later the President visited former Prime Minister Golda Meir in her nearby Ramat Aviv home, and Mrs. Meir told reporters that she had found him "friendly and enthusiastic about Israel."

As the President left the university's Mexico House, where the doctorate-award ceremony took place, he was greeted by several scores of demonstrators who chanted: Mexico, yes—Arafat, no." President Echeverria walked over to the protesters and started a dialogue with them through an interpreter.

The students' first question was why he had chosen to demonstrate such warm friendship for a man responsible for so many murders, and why he had gone so far as to hug him.

Unperturbed, President Echeverria smiled broadly and embraced the student who had put the query to him, saying "I am hugging you too. I am a naturally friendly person and this is how I act when I talk to people."

As the students' placards slowly started to come down, he told them that he had expressed firm opposition in his talks with Arafat against any attempts to expel Israel from the UN or in any way to curtail its membership.

He went on to advise the demonstrators that when they read reports of his statements, it would be best to "read between the lines."

When Echeverria left the group of demonstrators, some even applauded him.

Before the doctoral ceremony, Roni Milikowski of young Herut went up to the Mexican President and presented him with a picture album of PLO atrocities from Ma'alot to the Savoy Hotel. President Echeverria carefully scanned the album, asked some questions and said that his aim was to see that such outrages did not occur again.

The Chancellor of the university, Dr. George Wise, who emigrated from Mexico, told the Mexican President, that the honorary doctorate was being conferred on him for his "zeal for peace and justice based on human progress. During his term of office Mexico has evinced a deep sympathy and a will to understand all that is connected with the Jewish people and the State of Israel. He is a great statesman and a fighter for human rights and against religious, racial, political and economic discrimination wherever it may exist."

President Echeverria, clad in black cap and gown, responded that he accepted "this exalted distinction on behalf of the Mexican people with great pride, joy and gratitude." He said that Tel Aviv University was set up in the "idiom of pioneers who transformed the desert into verdant fields," but went on to criticise universities in general. The institutions of higher learning, he maintained, should "usher in changes." Their objective should be to become universities of the people. They should be revolutionary. Too often traditional universities set up regimes of the elite. Preoccupation with aesthetics and technology are not enough.

Leaving the university campus, President and Mrs. Echeverria headed for Golda Meir's small two-storied house near by, where they found the former Prime Minister, clad in white, waiting to greet them at the doorstep.

The meeting lasted some 30 minutes, and after the Echeverria motorcade had left the narrow street, Mrs. Meir told the waiting reporters that she found the Mexican President "full of friendship for Israel and impressed with what he had called a 'creative, enthusiastic country'."

Late envoy honoured

Mexican President Luis Echeverria yesterday unveiled a plaque commerating the late Rosario Castellanos, former Mexican Ambassador to Israel, at the Hebrew University and Jewish National Library.

A poem by Mrs. Castellanos, "Self-Portrait," was read by Dr. Nahum Megged, head of the Department of Latin American Studies, where the late ambassador had served as a visiting lecturer during her term of office.

Mrs. Castellanos was electrocuted a year ago in her home in Herzliya, moving a lamp from one table to another.

Latin American style 'adios' at Ben-Gurion for Mexican President

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — "Adios" read the large banner on the facade of the terminal here yesterday afternoon as Mexican President Luis Echeverria and Mrs. Echeverria and their party left Israel after a four-day visit.

It was a Latin American-style adios, too—in contrast to the formality of Thursday's arrival ceremony — with some of the kissing, embracing and back-slapping viewed by those witnessing the 3 p.m. departure.

Mrs. Echeverria fondly embraced Leah Rabin, Nina Katzir and other new friends. There was an unconfirmed report that Premier Rabin also was kissed — he appeared more florid-complexioned than usual on his return from the plane and was seen busily readjusting his glasses.

There were no speeches. What the notables had to say was said at the foot of the staircase leading up to the presidential plane, a Douglas-8 jetliner of Aero Mexico, the National Mexican Airline. Anyway, they took a long time in saying what they had to say, accompanied by more prolonged handshakes, backslapping and embracing.

A 21-gun presidential salute was fired, preceding the playing of the lively Mexican anthem and the more slowly-paced Hatikva. Two bands — a bugle-and-drummer unit and the full-sized army brass band — played.

Then President Ephraim Katzir and President Echeverria walked past the guard of honour — once again crack units from the Air Force cadets and girl soldiers from the central command training school. They stopped to salute the army and national flags before walking on the red carpet to the waiting aircraft.

They were joined by Israel notables, including Yisrael Yeshayahu, Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. and Mrs. Rabin and Foreign Minister and Mrs. Allon. The entire diplomatic corps was present to bid farewell to the Mexican visitors.

As President Echeverria ascended the steps, four Kfir interceptors zoomed overhead, ready to accompany the silver-and-orange airliner to Eilat. There the Mexican plane was scheduled to head east to be guided by Jordanian air controllers at Aqaba for the flight to Amman.

More trade planned

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Agricultural produce and processed foods may be added to the list of Israel exports to Mexico following yesterday's signing of a joint reciprocal trade "working paper" by the two countries. The bulk of Israel's present exports to Mexico — $7.3m. last year — are textiles and fashions, chemicals and polished diamonds.

Mexico's main export to Israel now consists of the raw sulphur. Israel's purchases from that country last year totalled one million dollars.

The document was signed early yesterday morning in the Jerusalem office of Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Bar-Lev, who initialled it for Israel. Mexico's signatory was Eliseo Mendoza Berrueto, Deputy Minister of Manufacture and Commerce, who accompanied President Echeverria on his trip to Middle Eastern countries.

The working paper recommends a formal agreement between the Mexican Foreign Trade Institute and Israel bodies concerned with promoting exports. The aim would be to foster cooperation in the manufacture of the following: solar energy generating systems, medical instruments, irrigation equipment, fertilizers and pesticides, and electronic equipment.

The working paper calls for the examination of possible mutual import tariff reductions between the two countries.

Crowds browse through the fifth annual Jerusalem Arts and Crafts Fair which opened Saturday night at Khutsot Hayotser, outside the Jaffa Gate. Some 100 artists are displaying their wares — including paintings, sculptures, ceramics and leather work — at the fair, which runs through August 21. (SBS Productions)

Active moves for peace

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mosphere of frankness and sincere cordiality," a term which in diplomatic parlance often denotes some disagreement. (See excerpts, page two)

There was indeed, it is understood, some argument over the "Palestinian" question, though Israel officials believe they were able to impress upon their Mexican guests aspects of the PLO's policies and methods which they had not previously understood.

The communique stressed both sides' belief in the "universality" of the UN. President Echeverria urged in the communique that the Middle East become a nuclear-free zone.

Asked about this, and about the reports that Israel has nuclear weapons, Rabin asserted that Israel "is not a nuclear country" and also that Israel would not be the first to introduce nuclear weapons into the Middle East conflict.

Echeverria explained that his trip through the Middle East was designed primarily to equip himself with "more precise knowledge" of the conflict "which deeply concerns the Third World." He had observed, he said, "a real wish for peace, beyond political tactics."

He warned Arab oil exporters that, if they did not do more to help non-oil nations, the gap between rich and poor countries would widen. He said there was a realization among the oil-exporters that oil was a perishable commodity, and this realization was contributing to the "trend" towards peace and negotiations which he had detected.

Asked by a Mexican newsman whether his 15-nation trip was in fact an "election campaign" for the UN Secretary-Generalship, Echeverria was careful not to deny outright that he might be interested in the post when his term of office expires next year. He said, however, that he was not "on a campaign," and that he felt he "would not have a great chance" of being elected. He noted, too, that the present Secretary-General, Dr. Kurt Waldheim, could be re-elected and that he was "doing a great job."

In a radio interview last night, Allon described the Mexican President's visit as a great success, said but also said that his meeting with PLO head Yasser Arafat had been unnecessary and "even harmful."

Hadassah on Mount Scopus

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first dedication ceremony at the Hadassah Mount Scopus Hospital since 1948 was held yesterday, when the Rebecca and Joseph Meyerhoff Emergency Wing was dedicated. Present at the ceremony were mayor Teddy Kollek, Prof. Ya'acov Menczel, Director-General of the Ministry of Health, and members of Hadassah in Israel. Mrs. Ezra Shapiro of the Hadassah Council in Israel presided.

Mayor Kollek stressed the significance for Israel in general, and for Jerusalem in particular, of the return of Hadassah to Mount Scopus. He added that it was most fitting that the first donors to be honoured were the Meyerhoffs of Baltimore, in Israel this week for no fewer than nine dedication ceremonies of buildings presented by them, most of them in Jerusalem.

Mrs. Shapiro said that the Hadassah Mount Scopus Medical Centre as a whole will be dedicated in October.

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'Rebel' group plans strike

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Worker representatives of factories and plants will demonstrate in Ashkelon on August 17 to call for the withdrawal of charges against the Eilat-Ashkelon pipeline workers who commandeered launches during a strike.

At the same time workers meet in the plants to discuss proposals for a two-hour strike in September in protest against cer economic conditions.

Lately workers committees, ac without Histadrut approval, here pressed opposition to freezing w contracts and the tax reform tem, and have demanded a 20 cent cost-of-living allowance.

They have also expressed opp tion to the proposal to introd Value Added Tax in October.

The committees, which inc members from Amcor, Haar Keshet, Rogosin, Frutarom, the ro-chemicals in Haifa, had pla to have the two-hour strike August 17, but it was postpo because of the many workers holiday this month.

It is learnt that Ashdod workers support the movement have not taken an active part organizing it.

Histadrut spokesman Shmuel S told *The Jerusalem Post* that committees did not have the bac of the labour federation.

Treasury group to review car allowances

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The Director-General of the Fina Ministry has appointed a comm tee to review the car allowance government officials. The offic receive 65 agorot per kilometre to a certain ceiling which depe on their position and the partic job they do.

The allowance did not go after the increase in the price petrol in March, and the Treas was expected to grant the incr as of this month. However, the pointment of the committee, w will submit its report in Septem is seen as a further factor in laying payment.

The Treasury recently annou its intention of increasing the n to 93 agorot per km. for up about 10,000 kilometres a year an paying 35 agorot above that. T sury officials said that this sys would induce those who trave more than 10,000 km. to use pu transport.

In the meantime it has b agreed that in special cases, as that of agricultural officials, rates can increase above 65 ag immediately.

Stand-firmers call on Cabine to resign

TEL AVIV. — The national co of the Land of Israel Move yesterday called on the Govern to resign before it "brings d disaster on the country."

The council, representing a party group which opposes Is withdrawal from any part of "historic homeland," issued a st ment saying that the "impend interim agreement with Egypt no more than an unconditional render to the Sadat-Kissinger sure.

"The Government has failed has lost its credibility in every and every direction. There is one course open to it now — t sign," the statement dclared.

Three drown

GAZA. — Three young men d ed in separate accidents off Gaza coast on Saturday. The dies of two of them — Kam Ja'al and Mansour Sumar, bo — were washed ashore yeste

The body of the third victim leiman Shwarka, 20, has not been recovered.

Lifeguards on the municipal at Kfar Samir, in the Haifa report they have saved over 20 sons from drowning on the three weekends. In most cases, ple were swimming outside authorized bathing area.

Killed on road

An unidentified man of abo was fatally injured near Ki Mishmar Hanegev yesterday crossing the road carrying a of seeds on his back.

Yosef Levy, 27, of Beersheb driving the tender that hit the who died on the way to the S Medical Centre in Beersheba.

Thirty persons were injured, seriously, when an Egged bu its way from Tel Aviv to overturned on a bend near yesterday evening.

BEATE LEAVES

Beate Klarsfeld left for her in Paris yesterday. The noted hunter plans to leave for the next week for a tour on beh Hadassah.

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JACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

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Fears of violence in Britain over visas for PLO men

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Jewish leaders here are expressing concern lest hotheads in the community resort to violent protest and disorder when the Palestine Liberation Organization representatives arrive here to attend the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) conference in London next month.

The wave of protests continues following the news that despite opposition at the highest level of government and in parliament, Foreign Office and Home Office (Interior Ministry) officials have agreed to issue visas for PLO men to attend the conference.

Over 100 M.P.s of all parties have signed a motion moved last week protesting the admission of PLO terrorists to this country for the IPU meeting, and it is known that senior cabinet ministers were annoyed at the fact of being presented with a *fait accompli*.

Eric Moonman, a Labour M.P., asked in a BBC broadcast today whether the Home Secretary would also grant visas to IRA terrorists if they were invited to the IPU meeting.

Mr. Sidney Shipton, general secretary of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, said that the granting of the visas was a direct affront to the Anglo-Jewish community.

He said that the Canadian Government had shown more moral fibre than the British authorities by postponing the UN crime prevention conference over the issue of PLO attendance.

The acting president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, Dr. S. Levenberg, said the Board had approached the Prime Minister, Mr. Wilson, on the matter, and was awaiting a full reply from him.

Meanwhile the pro-Arab lobby is continuing its campaign. Two well-known Arab propagandists, Michael Adams and Christopher Mayhew, have brought out a book in which they conjure up charges of a "Jewish conspiracy" in Britain to publish only pro-Israel news. Reviews of their book ("Publish it not") have offered an excellent opportunity for pro-Arab, anti Israel and anti-Jewish propaganda.

Today's review in the "Sunday Times" by David Holden, known for his pro-Arab views, is a case in point. For example: "The authors argue that there is in fact a degree of conspiracy in the way our collective subconscious has been manipulated by Zionists and their sympathisers over several decades..."

Holden uses this book to argue for admission of the PLO terrorists to Britain, saying "anyone wanting to encourage Palestinian moderation and an end to terrorism in the Middle East must welcome such men and demonstrate to their extremist critics that the moderate line they adopt — at some risk to themselves — is worth pursuing for its political fruits."

Congressman Udall here to learn

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Congressman Morris K. Udall, former secretary of the Interior during the Johnson Administration and presidential hopeful for the 1976 elections, arrived here yesterday for a five-day visit as guest of the Foreign Ministry.

"I have come here to learn and not to hand out instructions," the 46-year-old Arizona Democrat told Ittim reporter here. Declining to comment on the current negotiations for an Egypt-Israel interim agreement, he said, "U.S. interest in reaching a settlement is too great for us to jeopardize it by criticism."

But he recalled that he had criticised Secretary of State Henry Kissinger after the breakdown of his shuttle talks last March — not because they failed — but because Kissinger in private talks had blamed the breakdown on Israel's inflexibility."

"In doing this Kissinger displayed insincerity," Mr. Udall commented. On the other hand, he added, Kissinger was handling the current negotiations with great skill.

During his stay, Mr. Udall will meet with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon and other government leaders.

Swiss delay entry of Israel tourist man

Because of a permit problem the new head of the Israel Tourist Office in Zurich, Haim Eilat, has been asked to leave Switzerland by the Zurich cantonal authorities before he could take over from his predecessor. He was informed last week that cantonal law forbids a foreign national from working there without authorization.

Mr. Eilat, who holds an Israel service passport, had applied for a work permit shortly after his arrival six weeks ago. Normally it takes no more than three weeks to obtain such a permit. He was informed that promotion of tourism, which is an important part of his work, was considered a commercial activity and as such could not qualify for the privileges extended holders of foreign service passports.

Mr. Eilat is now in Frankfurt, Germany, awaiting the work permit.

No reason has apparently been given for the canton's long delay in issuing it. The incumbent Israel representative of the Tourism Office in Zurich, Yoshua Shaffir, is carrying on in the meantime.

Hotel and travel agency circles in Tel Aviv, where Mr. Eilat is well known, first learned of the matter last week. They expressed surprise that Switzerland, a traditional country of tourism, should use a technicality to delay the entry of an Israeli tourism representative.

Both the Foreign and Tourism Ministries in Jerusalem were yesterday reluctant to comment on the case as the Zurich cantonal authorities acted within their legal framework.

Tourism circles in Tel Aviv, however, said the Zurich action showed an unusual lack of courtesy and good will towards the bearer of a service passport.

Anti-diarrhoea medicine now on prescription only

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — One of the most widely used local medicines against diarrhoea — which is said often to have serious side effects — will soon be sold in Israel only on a doctor's prescription, the spokesman of the Ministry of Health announced yesterday.

At present, anyone can buy the medicine, whose generic name is "Clioquinal," and which is sold under the trade names of "Enterosept," "Enterogal," and "Mexaform." The first two are made locally, and "Mexaform" is made by a huge international concern, Ciba.

The Ministry's action follows reports reaching it from the Israel Consumers' Association, which had supplied material from the International Organization of Consumers' Unions (IOCU), with headquarters in London.

The IOCU notes that "mild diarrhoea usually clears up on its own in two or three days. If it goes on longer, it may be serious, and a doctor should be consulted."

The alleged side effects include blindness, paralysis, and damage to the nervous system. The IOCU advises people to stop using the medicine at the "first signs of tingling or numbness of the skin, or any visual disorder." Moreover, anyone suffering from any malfunction of the kidneys, liver, or thyroid, or any pregnant woman, or anyone allergic to *iodine should not use it at all.*

It should never be given to babies under 12 months of age, and children should never be given more than one pill a day.

The IOCU rates its efficacy with that of a "traditional folk medicine." If persons insist on using it without a doctor's prescription they should not take more than three pills of 250 milligrams in any one day, and never for more than three days. If the diarrhoea does not clear up by then, a doctor's advice should be sought.

The drug is banned in Japan and the U.S. and sold on "prescription only" in France, the Netherlands, Scandinavia and Australia, the IOCU reported after a survey of 34 countries.

FOREIGN CURRENCY, including 37,000 Belgian francs, 1,750 Swedish crowns and 2,800 Dutch guilders, which was stolen from a Tel Aviv woman two weeks ago, was found on Friday quite by chance when the woman's husband was approached in the street by a stranger who offered to sell him some Belgian banknotes. When he recognised the serial numbers as those of his wife's money, he complained to the police who apprehended the suspect.

Zim expects a profit this year despite slump in world shipping

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Despite the slump in the world shipping industry, Zim will still make a profit this year, though it will be less than in the previous year of prosperity.

This was stated yesterday by the heads of the national shipping company, board chairman David Eliazar and general manager Yehuda Rotem.

"We are using the present time of reasonable prices for ships to build up our fleet so that we will be ready when business revives," Eliazar said optimistically. The company proposes spending $500m. over the five-year period to build or purchase more than 40 ships, with priority for container services.

Eliazar and Rotem said that while Israel's foreign trade, mainly imports, had shrunk, the company was doing well on its lines around the world and was expanding them, particularly in the container trade.

Eliazar said: "Our non-Israeli trade now accounts for almost 50 per cent of our turnover. Freight rates and profits are down, but by economies and resourceful manoeuvring, we are achieving high loading rates and are staying in the black."

Eliazar, who has been eight months in office, said that Zim was "one of the country's largest enterprises and "exporters," fulfilling not only commercial, but also national and security functions." He said it played a role in the development of Eilat and in maintaining a land bridge for the transit of cargo between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea as an alternative to the Suez Canal. The secret of the company's success in earning a profit when world shipping was going through a crisis was attributed to the quality of its staff, ashore, afloat and abroad, although their performance was not reflected in the press. The image of the shipping industry was marred by labour disputes and the "disproportionate means" employed in them, he claimed.

Zim was reported reorganizing its service to meet the trend in cargo shipping towards bulk shipping and containers. For the Eilat-based routes, two ships would be chartered until the end of the year, pending the delivery of ships by builders. Because potash and phosphate exports from Eilat had sagged suddenly, three ships have been transferred to other routes, Rotem said.

Rotem also stated that Zim was not selling any ships although prices are low. The vessels in operation have paid for themselves, while new ones cost five times the price paid 10 years ago. However, he said, 25 chartered vessels, now redundant, have been released and another 12 might be returned to their owners until the end of the year.

A new container service has been established between Black Sea ports and Haifa and from here to destinations West and East. Zim's network was being developed through feeder ships in various areas around the world. The services were reaching more ports in North and Central America, including the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico, and the Far East. A new cargo service to South America was still in the red, but trade was growing and benefiting the country's export effort, Rotem said.

It was stated that the opening of the Suez Canal has not affected turnover on the Ashdod-Eilat land bridge in either direction, because the sources and destinations have shifted to longer distances stretching from ports in Northern Europe to the Far East.

Eliazar stated that as a result of the Michael Tzur affair, a control body has been set up, responsible to the board chairman, and the board has begun to meet more often for closer supervision and decisions on company affairs. As for the holdings of the Tibor-Rosenbaum enterprises inside Israel, he said that a consortium of creditors had been set up in Switzerland to pool these assets and Zim was in contact regarding transferring to creditors in Israel its share, at the end of the six-month moratorium.

Of the roughly $11m. of Zim funds which former Zim board chairman Tzur had deposited in the bank of Rosenbaum, the company has received only $110,000 from the liquidators accounts, none on deposit in other currencies. About half of the total was believed to be recoverable.

The "tent city" set up by Holon slum dwellers outside the Municipality building. (Segal — 24 Plus)

Egged won't rescind pay increase

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Egged secretariat will not rescind the increase in the gross monthly wages of its members from IL3,108 to IL3,600, a spokesman said yesterday.

In its reply to Minister of Transport Gad Ya'acobi, who had demanded that the raise be cancelled, the secretariat defended the increase as not overstepping the government wage policy.

The decision to increase the wages, which includes the cost-of-living allowance and a food allowance of about IL200, has prompted some politicians to ask the government to cancel its subsidies to the cooperative. The Dan bus cooperative is expected to wait and see how Egged emerges from this controversy before deciding on its action.

Meanwhile, Egged's internal dispute continues, with 120 members of Asifat Hanmashim, the highest body in the cooperative, invited to a meeting today in Haifa.

Egged spokesman Gideon Talmor said three members of the opposition faction, who do not have the right to call a meeting of the assembly, sent out the invitations. He said that the secretariat yesterday notified the 120 members that the meeting would not be held. He said the meeting is scheduled for September 11.

Immigrant flats empty as slum dwellers demonstrate

By AARON SEITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The sharp decline in immigration has led the Absorption Ministry to return about 2,500 flats it had leased for new settlers to the owners. Most of the flats — 1,600 — are in the centre of the country.

A Ministry spokesman said yesterday that the 1,126 housing units it had rented from the Housing Ministry were being returned "so that they could be used for other social objectives."

Meanwhile, a group of 20 families living in the Holon slums pitched tents outside that city's Town Hall yesterday, demanding Housing Ministry aid to improve their living conditions.

The squatters, including young children and their elderly grandparents, arrived after midnight Saturday. They displayed placards reading, "Save 2,000 Children from Lives of Crime," "Twelve Years in Shanty Huts is Enough" and "We are Tired of Living with Roaches and Mice."

"We want decent housing accommodations, just like immigrants are getting," one of the demonstrators said, pointing out that families with several children now live in asbestos huts measuring 28 or 42 square metres. "We will not return to those slums until the Government of the Housing Minister acts."

Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon told an Itim reporter the Municipality is powerless to help the poor families, and that only Housing Minister Avraham Ofer can do so.

In Jerusalem yesterday, Mr. Ofer received a group of young Ashdod couples who have been protesting for more than a week against an alleged Housing Ministry refusal to grant them suitable housing so that they could proceed with their wedding plans. (Last week the couples appealed to the Ashdod rabbinate to cease performing marriages since a couple cannot start off their married life without a home.)

Minister Ofer advised the Ashdod couples to be satisfied with modest two-room flats, 60 square metres in size, and forget about larger units. The couples reportedly left the Minister's office in a bitter mood.

Hoteliers against El Al deal

Jerusalem Post Tourism Correspondent

The executive of the Israel Hotels Association has turned down an offer to negotiate a "tourist package" with El Al. The decision followed a meeting at the week-end in the Tel Aviv office of Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi.

The hoteliers contend that there is no point in attempting to reach agreement on a cheap inclusive package so long as the Transport Ministry and the national carrier remain opposed to relaxation of the charter ban.

The Association's executive stressed that introduction of charter operations is a matter of urgency.

The hotels and other tourist ground services have on several occasions complained that the air fare remains the only non-negotiable component of a package, since hotels, tour operators and other services are already quoting reduced prices.

Cotton farmers want price rise

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Cotton farmers, preparing for the harvest, which begins in three to four weeks, are also planning to ask for higher prices this year.

Even though negotiations have not yet started with the local cotton spinners, it is learnt that the farmers may ask for IL10.50 per kilo (which is the present price in the world market), compared to IL7.50 a kilo, which the farmers received last year.

The farmers say that their demand is not based on the price of cotton in the world market, but on the fact that operating costs have risen by 60 per cent during the last year. They also claim that in fixing last year's prices the fact that the textile industry was in difficulty was considered.

The farmers expect to harvest about 50,000 tons of cotton this year and 80,000 tons of cotton seed.

Baruch Litvin

By a Correspondent

News has been received of the death at his home outside Detroit of Baruch Litvin, well known for his book "Jewish Identity," which summarized the views of leading Jewish personalities on the subject of "Who is a Jew."

Litvin, who died at the age of 85, immigrated to the United States from Russia and settled in Detroit where he first worked as a carpenter. For several years he was known for his leftist radical opinions but later became fervently Orthodox. In 1965 he fought a case, which he won in the Michigan Supreme Court, for the separation of men and women in his congregation and later published a book on the *"mehitza,"* the compulsory dividing line between the sexes in orthodox synagogues.

Aliya rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Aliya figures from Western countries showed a sudden increase last month: 365 Americans immigrated in July compared with 285 in the same month in 1974.

Officials of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency reported yesterday that the number of applications for aliya in the U.S. rose by over 40 per cent last month compared with July 1974. The number of immigrants from Australia, Britain, South Africa, Holland and Switzerland — although small in real figures — has risen by up to 50 per cent over the total for July, 1974.

'Fortune' lists Koor

TEL AVIV. — The Koor complex has been rated 223rd among the 300 largest industrial concerns in the world by the U.S. magazine "Fortune." This is the first time that Koor — or any Israeli firm — has appeared in this magazine listing.

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Military takeover likely in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Prospects increased last week that the military might impose its control over Argentina again as the crippled economy entered a new recession, throwing many thousands out of work.

Experienced analysts say a coup of sorts has already begun, but the military leaders, and the political forces who support them, continue to move subtly and patiently behind the scenes.

President Isabel Peron's term runs to May 1977, and it is far from certain she would even temporarily give up her mandate to rest from tension which has affected her fragile health.

If the military decided to act, officers could gently oblige her to leave and run the country through a constitutional successor. Or they could stage a direct old-style overthrow.

Although slogans like "Isabel is hunger" are appearing in some slum areas, the 44-year-old chief executive has some support. One provincial official of her party recently told Peronists:

"If anyone trys to remove Mrs. Peron, rivers of blood will run through Argentina."

But Alvaro Alsogaray, a former economy minister who is still respected in business circles, called a news conference to sound an alarm.

"In three weeks, we will be in total chaos," he said. "Argentina is not passing through a bad economic moment but rather is seeing the total destruction of its economic order."

If political forces do not unite and act quickly, he continued, a dictatorship is inevitable.

A sudden wave of inflation, coupled with a production drop, has forced factories to lay off an estimated 250,000 workers since July 31. One million persons — 10 per cent of Argentina's labour force—could be jobless by year's end, some say. Yesterday, the country devalued its currency.

"We are headed for a monumental crisis," said another former economy minister, concurring with Alsogaray. "If certain ideas aren't changed, like mistrusting people who invest for a profit and like automatically raising wages with each price increase, it will never improve."

The army, navy and air force chiefs have been in constant contact since early June when the political and economic crises grew serious.

Acting with labour and political leaders, they forced Mrs. Peron to fire her closest adviser, Jose Lopez Rega, and to abolish the close-knit conservative circle he built around her.

"The military here has long had a traditional political role, unlike that in Chile or in Uruguay," said one influential publisher. "That's why there won't be any clumsy, brutal bloodbath."

High cost of demonstrating

RANGOON (UPI). — Fifty-two Burmese railroad workers who demonstrated against the high cost of living have been sentenced to between 10 and 16 years in prison, the official news agency of Burma said.

The agency said the workers, who staged their protest during student riots in the capital last June, were found guilty by special criminal courts. Twenty-one workers were sentenced to 16 years, 14 others to 13 years and another 17 to 10 years in prison.

This is the second group of railroad workers jailed for participating in the demonstrations. The first group of 28 workers, including three women, were sentenced to 10 to 16 years in prison last month.

Devaluations in Argentina, N.Z.

BUENOS AIRES. — Argentina devalued the peso for the fourth time this year, from 35.40 to 42.50 per U.S. dollar, the Economy Ministry announced on Saturday night. The 20.1 per cent devaluation was the third in just over two months.

In Wellington, New Zealand, Prime Minister William Rowling announced that the New Zealand dollar has been devalued by 15 per cent. New rates for the U.S. dollar will be 1.0606-1.0706.

Australia will not devalue its currency in line with New Zealand, according to Treasurer Bill Hayden. *(Reuter, AP)*

Bombs destroy newly rebuilt Ulster depot

BELFAST (UPI). — Bombs destroyed a recently rebuilt mainline railway station southwest of Belfast yesterday as renewed violence involving Northern Ireland's feuding Protestant and Catholic communities continued to flare.

Police said at least three explosive charges were used to wreck the depot at Lurgan, 40 kms. from here on the main Belfast-to-Dublin line. The station had been reopened several weeks ago after undergoing extensive repairs to damage caused by another bombing late last year.

There were no injuries, although police said six residents of a nearby old people's home had to be treated for shock suffered as a result of the pre-dawn blasts.

Police said a total of 46 persons were arrested on Saturday in province-wide rioting which security forces described as the worst in Northern Ireland in four years. The clashes involved police, British soldiers, Protestants and Catholics, who had been called on to demonstrate on the fourth anniversary of the start of Britain's practice of detaining suspected extremists without trial.

Princess hiding out in London from Idi Amin

LONDON (UPI). — Princes Elizabeth Bagaya, the former Foreign Minister of Uganda who fled after falling out with President Idi Amin, has arrived secretly in Britain, the Home Office said yesterday.

The Princess, a Cambridge graduate, lawyer and one-time international fashion model, reportedly has gone into hiding here out of fear that Ugandan agents may be trying to locate her.

Home Office officials would give no details of her whereabouts or the date of her arrival. But the "Sunday Telegraph" said she was staying at a London apartment owned by friends.

Princess Elizabeth flew to Vienna under a false name four weeks ago from Kenya, where she had been living since her escape from Uganda six months ago, the "Telegraph" said. The Vienna stop was a smokescreen to cover her trip to London.

For 10 months last year the Princess was Uganda's Foreign Minister. Then she was fired and put under house arrest in Kampala by Amin, who claimed among other things, that she had made love to an unnamed European in a lavatory at Paris Airport.

South African Prime Minister John Vorster, left, and Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith are shown at Vorster's official residence, Libertas, in Pretoria, where they met for talks over the weekend. (AP radiophoto)

Smith and Vorster report to their cabinets today

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith and his South African counterpart, John Vorster, are expected to hold cabinet meetings today before making public any more details of new proposals they hammered out over the weekend on the Rhodesia settlement deadlock.

Smith, looking tired and drawn after the talks in Pretoria, returned to Salisbury on Saturday soon after a brief communique was issued saying the leaders had agreed on proposals "which if implemented by all parties concerned, can lead to a settlement of the issues involved." No details were forthcoming.

But while Africa's last two remaining white prime ministers have produced a plan which they hope will solve the crisis, political observers believe much will depend on President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia selling it to the divided Rhodesian African National Council (ANC).

President Kaunda in an interview with the "Johannesburg Sunday Times" on the weekend said that if Vorster failed to persuade Smith to continue negotiations "we are in for a bad time."

Kaunda added: "If any white man in South Africa can change matters for the better, that man is Mr. Vorster."

A key area in the Smith-Vorster talks is likely to have been discussion of the venue of a constitutional conference.

ANC Vice-President Elliott Gabella said in Salisbury on Saturday: "Our position is clear. We want a constitutional conference outside Rhodesia. It is up to Mr. Smith to decide."

Smith has said he will agree to a conference to ratify a constitutional settlement being held outside Rhodesia but insists preliminary talks can only be held in the country.

Speculation in political circles is that one of the new proposals is for a constitutional conference being held in Pretoria in September with South Africa and Britain as co-chairmen.

The early round-table discussions may be held at Victoria Falls on the Rhodesian-Zambian border if it were declared an international zone.

ANC General Secretary Gordon Chavanduku said Saturday: "The consensus of opinion in the ANC is that the Victoria Falls as a venue is well worth pursuing. I agree fully with our president, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, that the idea is, as he said, "appetising."

Italian police kill convict, free hostages

SAN GIMIGNANO, Italy (Reuter). — Police sharpshooters yesterday shot two convicts holding seven hostages in San Gimignano prison, killing one of them and wounding the other, police said.

All the hostages escaped unhurt, the police added.

The two convicts, Severino Turrini, 28, and Renato Mistroni, 23, had threatened to kill the hostages if their demands for getaway cars and bullet-proof vests were not met.

Protesters surface via mail in China

PEKING (Reuter). — Several foreign embassies in Peking have received propaganda pamphlets in their mail attacking Chinese leaders rehabilitated since the Cultural Revolution.

Diplomats here say they have received the pamphlets, mimeographed like handbills, tucked into the bundles of mail, and they appear to have been inserted locally.

For several years, it has been common for anti-government protests to be sent by mail from outside China — a method believed used by Nationalists from Taiwan.

But the appearance of such pamplets in local mail is a new development. It coincides with reports of factional strife in regional centres, notably Hangchow, which is believed to involve Cultural Revolution groups and moderates, who have taken over local administration since the Sixties.

The most notable leader rehabilitated since the Cultural Revolution is senior Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping — the most powerful man in China after Chairman Mao and ailing Premier Chou En-lai.

One handbill, circulated to embassies this month, accused Teng of conniving in the "bloody suppression" of Red Guards in the central province of Szechwan during the Cultural Revolution.

The notice, signed by "The Central Combat Group," said only the personal intervention of Chairman Mao's wife, Chiang-ching, prevented a large number of "revolutionary comrades" from losing their lives.

U.S. today launches spacecraft to Mars

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Man's age-old search for life on Mars takes its most ambitious step today when the U.S. launches a laboratory spacecraft that will make a soft landing on the mysterious red planet next summer.

The project — called Viking — is specifically aimed at determining if there is, or ever was, life on Mars. It is a cold, dry planet with an extremely thin atmosphere which provides little protection from the sun's ultraviolet rays.

While scientists are now relatively sure there are no higher forms of life on the inhospitable planet, many believe more primitive forms may be lurking on — or under — its arid surface.

The spacecraft setting out on the 700-million km. journey to earth's nearest neighbour planet is actually two craft in one.

Similar to the two-part Apollo vehicles, which put two men on the moon while leaving a third orbiting above, the Viking is made up of a large craft to orbit Mars and a smaller one to land on its surface.

The larger craft contains highly sophisticated instruments for observing and analysing the Martian atmosphere and surface, including two high-resolution television cameras which can distinguish surface objects the size of a football stadium.

It is also packed with extremely advanced computers which have been programmed to carry out every aspect of the year-long mission — including the soft landing — with virtually no assistance from Earth.

But it is the landing vehicle that makes the mission so intriguing.

The small, bug-like craft, spidered with awkward-looking gadgets, will probe the Martian soil and air, in a self-contained laboratory capable of detecting the most primitive forms of life known to man.

It will carry out three separate experiments designed to analyse three distinct processes which could tell tale signs of life on earth.

It will also be able to photograph the entire Martian surface surrounding it with two television cameras capable of producing "stereo" images similar to those of human eyes which act together to perceive depth.

Brezhnev, Husak meet in Yalta

MOSCOW (AP). — Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev, on vacation at his summer dacha in the Crimean resort of Yalta, met yesterday with Czechoslovak President Gustav Husak, Tass reported.

The two leaders discussed the recent European Security Conference in Helsinki, as well as current international and bilateral issues, Soviet news agency reported. A[illegible] on the talks agenda was further development of economic cooperation between the two countries, T[illegible] said.

Gang warfare explodes on Japan's campuses

By MARK FRANDLAND

TOKYO. — The violent tactics that have brought the Japanese Red Army to the forefront in international terrorism are causing increasing anxiety in Japan, where rivalries between student radical factions have exploded into apparently uncontrollable gang warfare.

Japan's real gangsters still have the edge on the student radicals when it comes to killings — but only just. This year 22 people have died in gangland battles. By the end of last month the radical "soldiers" had killed 16 of their enemies and wounded some 350 others. This brings the total casualties in the war of the radicals since its beginning in late 1969 to 40 killed and over 4,000 wounded. "Wounded" hardly describes the suffering involved, for in some cases the victims were so badly beaten that they will remain human vegetables or cripples for the rest of their lives.

The public, at first indifferent to these bloody goings-on, have been aroused this year by the increasing number of radical murders, for it is only in the last few months that the radicals have gone all out to assassinate rather than beat up their enemies.

There is nothing new about Japanese radical violence. The world already has some experience of the Japanese Red Army terrorists who were responsible among other things, for the Lod Airport massacre in 1972 and last week's attack on the American Consulate in Kuala Lumpur.

But the war of the radicals is quite different because it is a civil war. The two ultra-radical groups that are fighting the present war have perhaps 10,000 active supporters between them; they publish propaganda sheets and make statements to the "reactionary" press; and their chief strongholds are some of the most famous universities in the country.

UNIVERSITY IMAGE

A stranger entering the main campus of Tokyo's Hosei University for the first time might find it hard to believe his eyes. Hosei is a 19th-century foundation with a reputation for left-wing sympathies among its staff as well as its students. But the place looks more like a permanent political meeting than a university.

Its cramped forecourt is littered with immense political posters written in black and red and also contains a large tent that the radicals have just put up as a headquarters. The radicals also hold, as though it were a fort, the Students' Hall, a large new concrete building. A red flag flies from the roof and there is a permanent look-out, a student with a helmet and a mask around his face. He is equipped with a two-way radio and a pair of binoculars with which he scans everyone who comes in the university gates.

Hosei is the student stronghold of the Chukaku or Middle Core faction. Its rival, the Kakumaru or Revolutionary Marxists, is based a few miles away at Waseda, the most famous private university in Japan. The two groups have been in ideological disagreement for more than 12 years, although to outsiders they seem to have much in common. Both detest the Japan Communist Party because it condemns political violence and is deep in parliamentary politics. Both are anti-Stalinist and anti-Moscow but, with the ending of the Cultural Revolution, they have little fondness for Chairman Mao's China. They say they are not Trotskyist, though both of them believe above all in violent revolution.

There is of course nothing new in squabbles among left-wing revolutionaries. But a squabble that turns into a war to the death is another matter. The Chukaku and Kakumaru do not, as a rule, beat up or kill the Communists they hate so much, let alone the conservative politicians, bureaucrats and capitalists upon whose destruction they are set. They fight almost always among themselves, hence the word *uchigeba*, which they use to describe their war and means internal struggle or violence.

SIXTIES PROTESTS

There is not much doubt that the chief cause of *uchigeba* was the failure of the mass protest movements of the Sixties. The countless demonstrations and battles with the riot police of that decade left conservative Japan intact and in command. The Kakumaru took to making prudent retreats in some of the later battles in order to save its members from arrest. The Chukaku plunged on in its best Samurai style and so by 1970 found itself the weaker of the two. It accused the Kakumaru not only of being "counterrevolutionary" but also of cooperating with the police.

At the beginning neither faction meant to kill and the attacks were seen by both as ideological warfare carried on by physical means. Both used the same weapons, chiefly steel pipes or bars, and both explained their attacks in the same way. You cracked the enemy's head "to smash his ideology" and you struck him on the legs to destroy his ability to fight as an activist. A Chukaku paper described the technique like this:

"The hands and arms were smashed to pieces. Next the head and legs and then the whole body were minutely hit with over fifty blows from iron bars commensurate with his (i.e. the victim's) counter-revolutionary crimes. The room was filled with the dark blood of the counter-revolutionary element. He became a body, could no longer speak and sank into a sea of blood."

Although there are still battles between large groups of Chukaku and Kakumaru, often at universities (two notable ones last year are known as the First and Second Hosei Wars), both factions have now turned to the planned assassinations of individuals. They still use bars and pipes — neither has ever used firearms — but have otherwise refined their techniques. In one recent attempted assassination a Chukaku killer team — they are called *masakari* or battle-axe squads — used an oxyacetylene metal cutter and other equipment worth over £600 to break into a Kakumaru member's apartment.

The Kakumaru's greatest coup was the killing this March of Nobuyoshi Honda, the leader of the Chukaku. The Kakumaru battle-axe squad burst into Honda's apartments, beat him to death, and then escaped in a waiting car. Their final act was to telephone the police to make sure no one doubted it was the Kakumaru's work.

The Chukaku have been on the counter-attack ever since, but their victims have been young workers who are members of Kakumaru rather than students and ex-students as in the past.

Kakumaru's best known worker member — he is also one of the faction's leaders — is chairman of the National Railway Engineers' Tokyo branch. He is now accompanied wherever he goes by three bodyguards.

The innocent outsider may well ask why it is that students and universities have not come to the conclusion that the Chukaku and Kakumaru have gone too far. The answer is that, in a sense they have. Most students, even at a traditionally left-wing university like Hosei, are now indifferent to the factions. There are over 20,000 students, split into day and night sections, at Hosei, yet lecturers who are in contact with the Chukaku believe that the faction only has about 50 real members, though it can rely on perhaps 200 sympathisers when it comes to demonstrations. Even the Communist student organization at the university is bigger than that, traditional student hostility to the Communist Party notwithstanding.

The Chukaku, however, controls all but one of the elected Student Autonomous Bodies of the five departments on Hosei's main campus. They manage this by a mixture of full-time organization — few activists bother about academic work — a network of informers, and terror. A pro-Communist student at Hosei described how in his first year he had once criticized the Chukaku at a student meeting. A few days later he got a telephone call warning him not to do it again. He has kept his mouth shut ever since.

The Kakumaru have used similar tactics outside the universities. When a group of well-known left-wing intellectuals publicly criticized a particularly nast yKakumaru attack they received parcels containing chicken's heads, cow's eyes and excrement as well as threatening telephone calls.

LEFTIST TRADITION

The radicals' domination of Hosei is not surprising given the university's left-wing tradition. The university authorities do not like calling in the police (at whose hands the older teachers may themselves have suffered before and during World War II), and many students, after all, do not object to political violence as such. Much more significant is the way the Kakumaru has kept its grip on Waseda University, in spite of a far less sympathetic teaching staff and a particularly nasty incident in 1972 that turned the university against the radicals.

This was the Kakumaru killing of a Waseda student who was suspected — wrongly — of being a Chukaku spy. As a result the university expelled one Kakumaru leader and suspended another. The Kakumaru was voted out of all the Student Autonomous Bodies.

But today all but one of the student bodies at Waseda are believed to be back under *de facto* Kakum[illegible] control.

Although Waseda has fewer qua[illegible] about calling in the police than H[illegible] and has tried to stop the activists f[illegible] bringing weapons onto the cam[illegible] it is no keener to expel them. [illegible] faculty and students, a univer[illegible] official admitted, are against it [illegible] cause expulsion marks a man[illegible] life: as he put it, "an expelled [illegible] dent would not be accepted in [illegible] panese society."

But while the universities are [illegible] sential to the factions as a sourc[illegible] money and recruits (a student a[illegible] nomous body may receive up [illegible] £3,000 a year from the univers[illegible] their leadership is way past [illegible] dent age. Honda, the Chukaku le[illegible] killed this year, was 41. The c[illegible] theoretician of the Kakumaru [illegible] middle-aged, married and alr[illegible] blind. Few Kakumaru students [illegible] ever have met him.

AGE GAP

The growing age gap betw[illegible] leaders and followers may [illegible] something to do with signs — [illegible] tested both by police investig[illegible] and intellectuals in touch with [illegible] factions — that both sides are [illegible] having second thoughts about [illegible] lence. It was one thing to argu[illegible] a Chukaku leader did at the be[illegible] ning of this year, that "we hav[illegible] destroy the Kakumaru in orde[illegible] fight against Japanese imperiali[illegible] But when these words are tran[illegible] ed into the 15 killings that hav[illegible] ready taken place this year it i[illegible] surprising there should be d[illegible] even among people who believe [illegible] Japanese are perhaps easily in[illegible] ed to) that being ready to kill [illegible] be killed for a cause is a pr[illegible] worthy sign of sincerity.

What will become of the fact[illegible] members if the Chukaku and K[illegible] maru break up or return to v[illegible] in-fighting? Many of them are [illegible] and intelligent. "They come fro[illegible] better-off and better-educated f[illegible] lies," a Hosei teacher expla[illegible] "and they are sensitive about s[illegible] problems which ordinary stu[illegible] are not."

But many will find it hard t[illegible] a good job, for Japanese comp[illegible] do not care to employ ex-acti[illegible] And they are unlikely to be ten[illegible] into ordinary politics where a co[illegible] vative government sits in pe[illegible] nent power while the four op[illegible] tion parties bicker among t[illegible] selves. If they look for other wa[illegible] work for revolution they are l[illegible] to be frustrated again. Japa[illegible] 1975 is an unmistakably he[illegible] country: neither its economy no[illegible] ciety is ripe for revolution. It [illegible] of course this very solidity v[illegible] forced the radicals (without [illegible] ever admitting it) to fight a[illegible] themselves in the first place.

The Chukaku and the Kaku[illegible] could not take on Japan. It wa[illegible] much for them. So they too[illegible] themselves and by doing so [illegible] strengthened everything in [illegible] they most dislike. Few episod[illegible] left-wing politics anywhere can [illegible] been so tragically pointless. /O

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Portuguese jets warn warring Angolans

LUANDA (UPI). — Portuguese air-force jet fighters screamed low over this seaside capital yesterday in an apparent warning to warring black independence factions to cool the violence which has reduced the besieged city to civil chaos in three weeks of fighting.

The circling German-built G-91 Fiat jet fighters provided a rare show of Portuguese strength and was combined with reported plans to clear the downtown areas of battling rival independence movements which maintain separate armies.

Portuguese commandos on Saturday evacuated embattled Government ministers of the National Front for the Liberation of Angola, whose houses behind the Portuguese government palace came under heavy mortar fire from the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola.

The National Front members were evacuated yesterday under Portuguese protection in the city.

At least three African soldiers were killed in the raging battle in central Luanda, where the Soviet-backed Popular Movement currently is dominant. All pretense at cooperation in the transitional government has been dropped.

A Popular Movement communique yesterday accused the front of starting the new flare-up in the fighting and admitted "some" losses in the battle. The Front is backed by neighbouring Zaire but is equipped with Communist-Chinese weapons.

The Portuguese reported that plans to evacuate a zone of peace in downtown Luanda will include the evacuation of National Front forces holed up in the 18th century Sao Pedro Da Barra fort, commanding the harbour entrance.

The Front has come under repeated mortar attacks from the Popular Movement, but an estimated 150 soldiers holding the fortress have not been dislodged and have threatened to blow up the nearby Petrangol refinery if the blitz is not called off.

Portugal plans to hand over this oil-rich colony to a total black independence on November 11, but officials admit that the accord reached with the three movements — the third is the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola — for elections prior to that date cannot be fulfilled.

There is increasing speculation that independence may be postponed or that one of the movements may preempt the accord and declare independence unilaterally.

Already this year an estimated 3,000 persons have been killed in the internecine urban warfare which has spread across the West African colony, leaving hardly a major centre unscathed.

After the National Front's defeat in Luanda, the movement under the leadership of Holden Roberto, based in Zaire, regrouped its forces at the strategic crossroads town of Caxito 64 kms north of the capital. The Front's strategy has been to encircle the city and cut it off from its hinterland supply areas.

A Popular Movement force is entrenched outside Caxito, blocking the Front's advance.

So far, the 24,000-strong Portuguese force remaining in Angola has kept clear of the fighting, although two weeks ago commandos blasted the Popular Movement's downtown headquarters, killing 22 supporters in reprisal for an earlier attack on a Portuguese officer who was wounded at a roadblock.

The city, already acutely short of fuel and food supplies, received no fresh foods from the interior last week, and Saturday's usually bustling market was shut. No oil has been despatched from Lisbon for weeks, and less than 12 days of reserves is held in the city.

LONDON 'OBSERVER' STRIKEBOUND

LONDON (UPI). — The financially-troubled "Observer" newspaper was not published yesterday because of a dispute over staff reductions among printers.

The 184-year-old Sunday newspaper is facing a loss this year of IL11m. and the owners have announced plans to cut the number of employees by 30 per cent to pare costs. Negotiations on the redundancies broke down on Saturday night and members of one printers union refused to work, effectively blocking publication.

Truckdriver Nathaniel Small (pointing) explains to state troopers how his truck, travelling on Interstate 64 in Norfolk, Va., nosedived off an overpass on Friday when he braked to avoid hitting a car that pulled into his path. Small walked away with bruises. (AP radiophoto)

Congressmen to check on Soviets

MOSCOW (UPI). — A U.S. Congressional delegation arrived in Moscow yesterday seeking to find out to what extent the Soviet Union intends to keep its pledge to allow greater freedom of personal movement.

The visit by the 18-man delegation, led by House Speaker Carl Albert, comes in the wake of the Soviet pledge made at last month's European Security Summit in Helsinki.

"There doesn't seem to have been any give" in discussions about the question so far with Soviet legislators, Congressman Sidney Yates said. The delegation held a preliminary meeting with Soviet parliamentarians in Leningrad, but have three formal meetings planned at the Kremlin today and tomorrow.

Yates said the Soviets anticipate "and certainly we anticipate" some tough discussions on the personal movement issue. Yates said the congressmen understand personal movement to cover both the question of family reunification and that of emigration, primarily Jewish emigration.

FISHING. — The Icelandic fishery limits were extended to 200 miles on July 15 of this year, and new regulations on these limits will come into force on October 15. Iceland took the step because, it said, its own fishing fleet is capable of fully utilizing the fishstocks in the area.

Greek officers sentenced for conspiracy

ATHENS (AP). — An Athens court martial sentenced on Saturday night 14 former army officers, two of them brigadiers, to between four and 12 years' imprisonment on charges of conspiring to overthrow the government last February.

Another seven on trial were declared innocent.

The sentences were the first to be declared on members of the former military-backed regime or persons considered sympathetic to the dictatorship. A number of other trials are still under way.

The 21 were charged with trying to gain the release of imprisoned dictatorship leaders, ban the recently legalized Greek Communist Party, and bring Greece back to Nato.

All defendants denied the charges. Some claimed the pre-trial testimony was obtained from them under "psychological pressure." Though admitting their sympathies for the former dictatorship, they said they did not plot to overthrow democracy. They said the government fabricated the conspiracy as an excuse to purge the armed forces of elements they felt were unloyal.

The court passed its sentence after a three-week trial. It granted all the right to appeal the sentences. Six of the former officers got five years' imprisonment each, three got four years, two got 10 years, and another three received eight, 11 and 12 year sentences respectively. The two brigadiers, George Lambousis and Spyridon Iliopoulos, received 12 and five years respectively.

French will label undercover police

PARIS (Reuter). — Police undercover squads will soon be issued with armbands to avoid a repetition of a shoot-out between two groups of policemen who mistook each other for gangsters, police sources said yesterday. One inspector was killed in the incident last month.

The armbands, orange-red with the word Police in black letters, will be put on by the agents only at the last minute as they begin an operation, the sources said.

Russian composer Shostakovich dies

MOSCOW. — Composer Dmitry Shostakovich, whose fortunes and music rose and fell with the whims of Soviet power, died of a heart attack Saturday night at the age of 68, his family announced yesterday.

First news of his death came from the Tanglewood Music Festival in Massachusetts, where Shostakovich's friend, the violoncellist and conductor Mstislav Rostropovich, learned about it in a telephone call from Moscow.

The Tass News Agency announced the death in a two-line item 18 hours after it occurred.

Shostakovich's work — including 15 symphonies, as well as string quartets, concertos, operas, ballets and chamber music — was complex, varied and of universal appeal.

Dmitry Dmitriyevich Shostakovich was born on September 25, 1906, in St. Petersburg (now Leningrad). Both his parents were fond of music, and his father was an excellent singer.

His mother, an accomplished pianist, started giving him piano lessons when he was nine. He went to music school and composed his first piece at the age of 11.

He studied at the Leningrad Conservatoire and wrote his first symphony to obtain his diploma. It was first performed publicly in May 1926 and almost overnight established him as one of Europe's most promising young composers.

Some of Shostakovich's most-admired music brought him into conflict with the Communist state. After every such crisis, he trimmed his sails, wrote an "approved" opus and restored himself to favour.

Such a case occurred with his 1932 opera "Lady Macbeth of Mzensk," a gloomy work that dealt with crime and low life. It enjoyed enormous success for two years until "Pravda" virtually killed it in this country by calling it "crude, primitive and vulgar" and "a pandemonium instead of music." The attack came after dictator Josef Stalin saw the opera and disliked it.

A revision of that opera called "Katerina Izmailova" has since been restored to the Bolshoi Theatre's repertory.

After his "Macbeth" setback, Shostakovich redeemed himself in the eyes of a government dedicated to "art for the people" by writing the simple Fifth Symphony. It became

known as "the Symphony of Socialism."

Shostakovich touched national and international sensibilities with his 1942 Seventh Symphony dedicated to his native Leningrad. A fire-fighter in that city, Shostakovich started the work while German shells were falling around him. The work, given in blacked-out front line theatres in Leningrad and elsewhere, was a morale booster with its theme of the triumph of good over evil. Arturo Toscanini gave it its premiere in the U.S.

Shostakovich plunged into disfavour again with his 13th Symphony, which in part set to music a poem by Yevgeny Yevtushenko about the slaughter of the Jews at Babi Yar. Premier Nikita Khrushchev banned it for hinting at anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, and the work finally reappeared in a censored version.

Although ailing since a heart attack in 1966, Shostakovich went on composing — his work including two more symphonies and several chamber pieces. *(UPI, Reuter)*

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Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

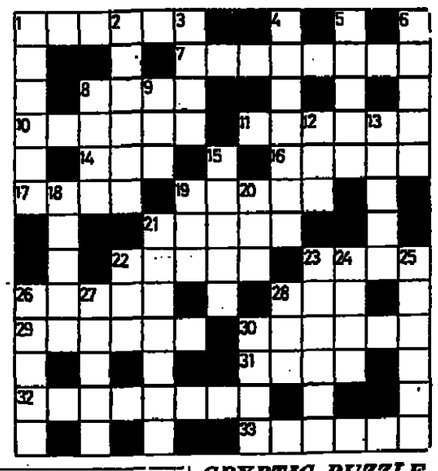
EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Afraid (6)
7 Eastern (8)
8 High voice (4)
10 Chemical element (6)
11 Suave (6)
14 "— Buddhism" (3)
16 Occasions (5)
17 Raced (4)
19 Quoted (5)
21 Stick (5)
22 Fret (5)
23 Mislaid (4)
26 Ire (5)
28 Brief swim (3)
29 More daring (6)
30 Walkers (6)
31 Prayer ending (4)
32 Peer (8)
33 Make certain (6)

DOWN

1 Divides equally (6)
2 Depended (6)
3 Fate (4)
4 Encourage (7)
5 Water vapour (5)
6 Runs away (5)
8 Cutting-tool (4)
9 Wine-cask (3)
12 Offer (3)
13 Approaches (5)
15 Church headdress (5)
18 Keyboard instrument (5)
19 Vehicle (3)
20 Plaything (3)
21 Tedium (7)
22 Married (3)
23 Compares (6)
24 Unlocked (4)
25 Struggle (6)
26 Over (5)
27 Polish (5)
28 Vague (3)
30 Detest (4)



Friday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Brisk. 6, Inked. 9, Peerage. 10, Sprig. 11, Nadir. 12, Anvil. 13, Dilemma. 15, Ref. 17, Iris. 18, Repose. 19, Flood. 20, Avenue. 22, Ties. 24, Nor. 25, Against. 26, Bitch. 27, Radio. 28, Pedal. 29, Rustler. 30, Tends. 31, Ashes.

DOWN.—2, Repair. 3, Spices. 4, Keg. 5, Arena. 6, Ignited. 7, Real. 8, Exiles. 12, Amble. 13, Divan. 14, Liver. 15, Robin. 16, Feast. 18, Rough. 19, Furious. 21, Voyage. 22, Tigers. 23, Escape. 25, Acute. 26, Bird. 28, Pea.

Friday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—1, Spear. 6, Cents. 9, Rebes-on. 10, E-road. 11, Ri-vet. 12, E-l-ord. 13, Cool cat. 15, Gal. 17, Gneg. 18, Scrape. 19, Crept. 20, CL-ears. 22, Mess. 24, Hit. 25, Camelot. 26, Spo-OK. 27, Stoop. 28, Limbe. 29, Me-XI-C-an. 30, Seven. 31, D-over.

DOWN.—2, P-arson. 3, Arable. 4, Red. 5, Me-E-ts. 6, Correct. 7, En-I-d. 8, Toccap. 12, F-airs. 13, Coach. 14, Octet. 15, Gave-L. 16, Least. 18, Speak. 19, Crippen. 21, Li-T-ale. 22, Merino. 23, Sombre(res). 25, Co-nic. 26, Seme. 28, L-AD.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Live to ride round the back of the stables? (6)
7 Beat a fanciled Dutchman? (8)
8 Some chaps heard in church (4)
10 Ali's wrong boy, to have sunk so low (6)
11 An amusing touch by the batsman? (6)
14 Added weight to the chair (3)
16 Blue shade (5)
17 What the sailor cried when making love in the hay? (4)
19 Cricket crazy? (5)
21 Accommodation for Moshe? (5)
22 In drill, sought to realise a growing potential (5)
23 Clothes to brag about? (4)
26 Assistants to a first-class fellow (5)
28 He's one point ahead (3)
29 A start in making beds (6)
30 Sid's wrong in the head to be a naturist (6)
31 The milk boy (4)
32 Programme that made farce of force (4, 4)
33 The fire-breathing dog ran wild (6)

DOWN

1 Plaited grass affair (6)
2 Out of touch? (2, 4)
3 Still less than eleven (4)
4 Insecticidal projects? (7)
5 White as the way to the stars (5)
6 Do a turn as soldiers (5)
8 How the losers ran! (4)
9 All you need for viewing (3)
12 Copy quietly out in timid fashion (3)
13 Contradict the earlier statement (5)
15 Animal that arrived with a novice rider? (5)
18 A garment to keep on? (5)
19 The London knot, perhaps (3)
20 Was he wasted at No. 10? (3)
21 Prisoner of the army, long-term (7)
22 A very wet area (3)
23 She rode out of habit (6)
24 Dye a bent nail (4)
25 Treated to a nip (6)
26 This state obviously has a name (5)
27 Adventure story from the tundra, maybe (5)
28 Money changes us a lot (3)
30 Points to a man in a state of indigence (4)

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FIRST PROGRAMME
293, 323 and 231 M.

7.35 a.m. Opening 8.10 Morning Concert — Gershwin: "An American in Paris" (Previn); Mussorgsky: Short Piece for Piano; Previn: Guitar Concerto (Williams). 10.05 Orch. of Covent Garden plays Pergolesi, Gounod, Berlioz, Verdi, Donizetti, Britten. 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for children. 11.45 English lesson. 12.05 Book review. 12.10 "Radiodea." 12.35 Kurt Redel plays Mozart and Telemann. 1.05 Popular Classics. 1.55 Programme Trailer. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "World of Science." 3.30 "Ethics of the Fathers." 3.50 "The Daily Mishna." 4.10 From our Concert Halls (Stereo) — Iar. Chamber Ensemble — Bach: Suite No.1 (Friedman); Tchaikovsky: Rococo Variations (Starker-Rodan); Lutoslawski: Preludes and Fugues (Bertini). 5.40 Quiz. 6.05 Weekly Cinema Magazine. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.50 Bible Reading: Daniel, chaps. 9 and 10. 8.05 "The Story of a File." 8.55 "Five to Nine." 9.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 9.06 (Stereo) "Recital" — Boris Berman, harpsichord; Melody Parash, flute —Bach: Sonata No.4; Couperin: Suite No.4; Rousel: Four Pieces; Rameau: Piece for Harpsichord; Hindemith: Sonata. 10.05 "Radio-drama." 11.05 Music for Day's End (Stereo). 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.18 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 435, 249, 385 and 340 M.

5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Gymnastics. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Announcements. 9.05 "Good Morning." (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 "A Few Moments with..." 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 Requests. 3.05 "This is Ehud Manor." 3.55 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 "This is Ehud Manor." 5.10 Quiz by Telephone. 6.05 "Passport to Song." 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "A Moment of Hebrew." 9.06 "Pop and All." 10.05 Telephone Quiz and Entertainment. 1.05 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme); 11.00-11.55 p.m. (short waves).

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7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme); 8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 1.00-2.00 a.m. (short waves).

1st Programme — 522, 256 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 299 M.
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Educational: 4.00 Story. 4.15 Eng 4.35 "Matt Matok." 5.00 "Improv Hebrew.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Sport. 7.3 jector. 7.27 Programme Review News

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

5.58 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.02 Melodies." 8.00 News. 8.05 Melodies."

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 428, 256, 385 and 248.5 M

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivri 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 La Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian 8.45 Russ Close Down.

GALEI ZAHAL
234, 220 and 320 M.

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Times. 6.55 Gymnastics. 7.05 Morning 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal reel. 9.05 "By Request." 10.05 Beautiful Day." 12.05 "Midday St "Armies of the Nations." 12.40 U Corner. 12.55 "Army Post Office B 1.05 Daniel Litani's songs. 1 nouncements. 2.05 "At Midday." Request." 5.05 Zahal's Newsr Programme Trailer. 6.30 "It Irrits 7.05 Songs in Khaki. 7.50 Livni's "At the End of the West." 9.05 History. 10.05 "Notes and Good 11.05 "Propaganda." 11.45 Zahal's N 12.05 "Night Birds." 2.05 Insom Sufferers of Insomnia, please c Zahal. 4.05 "Times in the Night." 5 Five" — Songs and times.

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Sharp rise in oils

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Petroleum shares rose sharply on the stock market yesterday — but there were no sellers, and consequently no turnover. Financial circles believe that the sudden demand — and the refusal to sell — stems from reports that the government is going ahead with an *intensive programme to* find "black gold" — especially since it now seems highly possible that the Sinai oilfields will be handed over to Egypt.

Naphtha rose by 11.5 to 236.5; Lapidot Registered gained 16 to 11.5, and Lapidot Bearer jumped 25 to 440.

IDB's new issue *traded for the* first time yesterday on the stock market, rose by one point from its opening price of 215, to meet a demand of one million shares — and some 967,000 were traded.

Several other shares had heavy movers:

Electricity, for example, gained three to 203 (201,000); Tefahot Ordinary rose by two to 215 (15,000); Discount Investment gained two to 220 (37,000); Delek Registered rose by 4.5 to 207.5 (29,000); and ILDC bearer gained two to 128 (86,000).

Rassco Preferred, however, lost 0.5 to 135.5 (73,000); Paper Mills lost three to 303 (12,000), Bank Leumi remained at 177 (39,000).

In general, the trend in stocks was upwards in the opening round, and steady in the variables. The turnover was IL5,551,800, of which IL2,761,000 was in the variables. The general index of share prices rose by 0.2 per cent to stand at 121.71.

The Natad dollar, which, according to all experts, was expected to fall, rose by two points to IL7.02; the demand was for $192,000 and $216,000 changed hands. The Natad dollar may be now levelling off, at least for a few days. Index-linked bonds fell; Dollar-linked were firm; and those traded in foreign currency, such as Hollis, gained half a point.

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DEBENTURES			
INDEXED TO THE DOLLAR			
Dead Sea Junior	r	—	238.5
Electric Corp. A	r	—	—
Electric Corp. B	r	—	241
INDEXED to the Cost of Living Index 1968, Index 110.1	b	—	462
Jerusalem 1968, Series 41	b	—	196.5
Jerusalem 1969, Series 41	b	—	146
COMMERCIAL BANKS			
BANKSHOLDING COMPANIES			
Bar Hitayashvut	r	265	265
I.B. pref.	r	325	325
I.B. Bankholding	r	215	215
Union Bank "A"	r	249	249.5
Discount Bank "A"	r	552	552
Israel Mizrahi Bank	b	158.5	158.5
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	239	239
Bank Leumi "A"	r	217	217
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Jerusalem Mortgage Bank	b	212	212
Israel Mortg. & Inv.	b	161	159.5
Jerusalem & Mortg. Bank	b	215	212.5
Mizrahi Mortg. Bank	b	163	163
Mivtahot 8%	—	26	213
Mivtahot	b	215	212
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Mizrahi & Dev. Bank 8%	r	86	85
Mizrahi	r	494.5	495
Mizrahi Insurance	b	325	317
Phoenix — "C"	b	273	268
COMMERCIAL: SERVICES & ACTIVITIES			
Dan Carmel House	b	75	75.5
Elite	r	207.5	208
Elite Storage—IL10	r	179	175
Israel Electric Corp.	r	203	200
Mamilah Storage & Supply	r	158.5	158.5
CONSTRUCTION, BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT			
Africa Israel	r	138	138.5
Africa Isr. IL10	r	332	332
Africa Dev.	b	133	126
Solel Boneh—10%	b	268	266.5
Property & Building	r	215.5	215
Israel	b	134.5	130.5
Mehadrin	r	220.5	224.5
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r	108.5	111
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	251	251
West Aviv	r	116	116
Pri Or Ltd.	r	174.5	174.5
Rassco—5%	r	135.5	138
Rassco—O.	r	92.5	91
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	525	505
Elco—2.5	b	139	137
Electra—5	r	175	178
Argaman—8%	b	288	300
Ata—C	r	120.5	118
Dubek	b	468	465
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	164	160
Teva	b	1240	1250
Chem. & Phosphates	r	219.5	215
Lewin Epstein	b	98.5	97
Motor Textile	r	197	201
Phoenicia—8%	b	100	100
Paper Mills	r	303	306
Assis "B"	r	241	239.5
Nechushtan	b	614	614
Elite (A)	r	270.5	268
Shemen—8%	b	135	135.5
"Taal" Plywood	b	129	128
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	110	109
Eilern	b	179	176
Israel Central Trade	r	153.5	152
Bank Hapoalim	b	215	215
Pez	b	133.5	133.5
Wolfson—IL10	b	105.5	105.5
Azrieli	r	212	212
Discount Bank	b	223	221
United Mizrahi	b	240	239
Bank Leumi	r	177	177
Piryon Investment	r	192	191
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	93	91.5
Export Bank	b	80	78.5
Clal Investment	r	195	195
Clal Industries	r	144	142
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	236.5	225
Lapidoth OTC	r	341.5	325

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Must reform rigid wage system

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV.—In the wake of the income-tax reform, a comprehensive wage reform must now be carried out. Wage rates must be based on job evaluation, and on maintenance of proper job and grade differentials, in order to provide adequate incentives to productivity. Blue-collar wages should be higher than those of white-collar employees of equal skill. Engrossment of tax-free emoluments should be delayed until the effects of the tax reform are better visible, and the cost involved can be reappraised.

Participants in a recent seminar on Industry After the Tax Reform (arranged by the Israel Management Centre) were unanimous in their support of these recommendations. The present structure of wages in this country is much too rigid and counter-productive, and must be reformed quickly, even if the change causes labour unrest, said Gideon Ben-Israel, a member of the Histadrut's central committee. "I am in charge of the Histadrut's professional members — the engineers, the doctors, and so on — who may be adversely affected by a wage reform, but that is no reason for dodging the issue," he said.

Wages cannot be based on a group's lobbying strength and strike threats, nor on written or unwritten commitments providing an automatic link with wages earned by a different group of workers. People in Israel are very much egalitarian, but the time has come to acknowledge that a modern, efficient economy cannot operate without a certain — reasonable — amount of wage differentials, Ben-Israel warned.

Ely Hurwitz, managing director of Assia, warned that engrossing tax-free fringes—in particular car allowances—is likely to increase considerably the gaps between wages paid to workers in production and to higher-echelon wage earners, and to bring in its wake a *widespread demand for a general* wage hike, the more so as a smaller part of an eventual increment will be taxed away. But in many cases it may turn out that both the company and the respective employees would be better off if individual cars are replaced by car pools or by other transport arrangements, and car logs are subject to detailed checks, as are all other cost accounts, he said.

Engineer Yeshayahu Eckstein expected the tax reform to cause a widespread revision of output norms and incentives. Norms were deliberately kept too low under the old tax law, in order to let workers earn excessive incentive pay, which was subject to a low tax rate. However, under the new law workers benefit equally from any increase in their wage income, and need no longer resist a wage hike tied to larger output.

MRS. MARIA ESTHER ECHEVERRIA receives an enthusiastic welcome from the children of Wizo's Tzurli day creche in Jerusalem. The wife of the Mexican president visited the day creche on Friday morning following a tour of Hadassah Hospital and visits to a number of youth clubs.

COIN MARKET NEWS

Lack of cash means owners are selling

A LOCAL SHORTAGE of ready cash money has not only caused a drop in stock market prices but has influenced the coin market as well. In an effort to raise cash a number of coin owners have been selling both their gold and silver coin holdings.

Yet despite this, prices are not actually dropping. It seems that the already low prices have been attracting a number of potential investors, many of whom are seeking relief from the high tax on capital profits.

In the meantime, merchants have been offering an additional 12 per cent over the nominal price for the "Bonds" gold coin. The price, however, will only become firmly established following the return of the numerous coin merchants now on summer vacations.

Concerning other coins, no remarkable price changes have been noted this week.

Year & Name	$1=IL4.12 Quantity	Issue Price IL	Market Price IL
½ Shekel — Purim Coins			
1961 ½ Shekel	20,000	1.00	230
1961 " P.	5,000	2.00	600
1962 ½ Shekel	20,000	1.00	150
1962 " P.	10,000	2.00	300
Pound — Hanukka			
1958 Torah	100,000	2.00	30
1959 " P.	5,000	4.00	620
1960 Degania	50,000	2.50	80
1960 " P.	5,000	4.00	630
1960 Scold	15,583	2.00	600
1960 " P.	3,000	4.00	3400
1961 Hero	18,918	2.00	250
1961 " P.	8,428	4.00	300
1962 Italian Lamp.	9,887	2.00	770
1962 " P.	6,046	4.00	900
1963 N. African Lamp	10,000	2.00	700
1963 " P.	5,000	4.00	1050
Pounds — Independence Day Coins			
1968 Menorah	98,057	10.00	150
1968 " P.	2,000	18.00	—
1969 Exile	27,249	10.00	250
1969 " P.	4,792	18.00	1100
1970 Herzl	54,472	10.00	270
1970 " P.	4,933	20.00	1100
1971 Bar-Mitzva	19,541	10.00	750
1971 " P.	4,981	20.00	1100
1972 Negev	19,450	10.00	900
1972 " P.	5,050	20.00	1100
1973 Seafaring	5,990	10.00	3950
1973 " P.	4,500	20.00	4000
1974 Museum	11,000	10.00	770
1974 " P.	4,500	20.00	1000
1975 Knesset	25,263	10.00	400
1975 " P.	7,980	20.00	480
1964 Life	32,503	18.50	170
1964 " P.	10,500	25.00	270
1967 Eilat	30,250	18.50	620
1967 " P.	7,755	25.00	830
10 Pounds — Special Issue			
1967 Victory	334,589	12.50	60
1967 " P.	50,488	30.00	110
1972 Freedom	75,000	30.00	100
1972 " P.	20,000	60.00	220
1974 Ben-Gurion	175,000	100.00	150
1974 " P.	75,000	200.00	280
1968 Jerusalem	50,000	25.00	260
1968 " P.	20,501	42.00	280
1969 Shalom (S.F.)	40,000	25.00	260
1969 " P.	20,000	50.00	270

Year & Name	$1=IL4.12 Quantity	Issue Price IL	Market Price IL
1969 " (E)	20,000	25.00	250
1970 Mikveh	47,500	25.00	130
1970 " P.	22,500	50.00	180
10 Pounds — Independence Day Coins			
1971 Science (U)	20,000	25.00	190
1971 " P.	17,500	50.00	250
1971 " (J.)	22,500	25.00	220
1972 Aviation	50,000	30.00	150
1972 " P.	15,000	60.00	400
1973 Declaration	125,000	60.00	70
1973 " P.	41,500	80.00	140
1974 Ben Yehuda	130,000	50.00	60
1974 " P.	50,000	90.00	120
10 Pounds — Pidyon Haben			
1970 F-H	50,533	35.00	200
1970 " P.	15,000	50.00	300
1971 "	30,391	35.00	320
1971 " P.	15,000	50.00	450
1972 " (star)	80,000	30.00	120
1972 " (no star)	15,000	60.00	150
1972 " P.	12,500	60.00	220
1973 "	105,000	30.00	70
1973 " P.	15,000	60.00	220
1974 "	115,000	40.00	70
1974 " P.	45,000	80.00	140
1975 P-H	—	125.00	125
1975 " P.	75,000	250.00	240
5 Pounds — Hanukka Coins			
1972 Russian Lamp	75,000	20.00	70
1972 " P.	22,500	40.00	200
1973 Babylonian Lamp	95,000	20.00	60
1973 " P.	45,000	40.00	85
1975 Damascus Lamp	125,000	50.00	50
1975 " P.	75,000	100.00	100
Gold Coins			
1960 Herzl (20)	10,510	50.00	6100
1962 Weizmann (50) P.	6,202	150.00	—
1962 Weizmann (100) P.	5,206	300.00	7200
1964 Bank (50)	6,014	150.00	7200
1964 " (50) P.	1,802	250.00	41000
1967 Victory (100) P.	9,004	300.00	7150
1968 Jerusalem (100) P.	12,500	320.00	3820
1969 Shalom (100) P.	12,500	430.00	3250
1971 Freedom (180) P.	10,000	620.00	4900
1973 Declaration (50) P.	12,500	220.00	530
1973 " (100) P.	10,000	465.00	1350
1973 " (50-100-300)	18,750	1620.00	5850
1974 Ben-Gurion p.	58,500	3400.00	3100
(In sets of three only)			

P — Proof
SF — San Francisco Mint
J — Jerusalem Mint
U — Utrecht Mint

ART IN HAIFA

Undistinguished but honest

ELISHEVA FRENKEL shows oils and watercolours of land and seascapes, trees and flowers, mostly undistinguished yet honest. Nevertheless she has the ability to paint better than she may realize, for the viewer notes the perfect modelling of form through light and shade in a Haifa scape (35). Of the watercolours, *first place to the impressionist marine* scape (12), also of Haifa. At the same time, two small landscapes proper, (25) and (28) may open the way for further improvement. (Rothschild Gallery). Till August 20.

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"BEIT YOTZER" ARTISTS *COMMUNE, BINYAMINA* — Two ceramists, Shlomo Ben-Naim and Mark Tsatsula, and three oil painters, Dafne Arod, Alon Shepherd and Avi Failer, are united by creative competence and devotion to their Guru. The two interesting ceramists present objects founded on absolute simplicity of design, which is, then interrupted. Tsatsula places a round sphere (the world or the totality of life) in different sized wooden boxes, each bearing, in English, a saying of the Guru. (Incidentally, note the skilfully plain carving of these boxes and also of the protruding picture frames). Tsatsula's small jugs and vases, again in kind, are varied by effective splits, as if the body were torn. Ben-Naim's most attractive bottles, angular to culminate in a horizontal lozenge, are bisected vertically or horizontally by carefully symmetrical "open work" designs. Arod's flat ceramic plaques, ornamented with the Guru's dicta, are not a success but then her expression lies in painting serious and thoughtful young women, best summarised as being near the point where pre-Raphaelitism begins to merge into Art Nouveau. The two male painters are very accomplished if over-versatile: Shepherd's American-style abstraction, brightly coloured and loose forms devoid of linearity, *are his forte*, motifs solidifying in (5) into a vaguely Bacon-like semblance. Thus the realist village scene (10) comes as a surprise. His wash drawings show eerie ghost figures. Failer's three small oils, two interiors with nudes, that are a triumph of light and composition and the third, an exterior of a country house, carry the day; but he also produces dark landscapes, a formal decorative with flowers, wash drawings of Pascin style women etc. (Beit Knispel, 9 Rehov Rahel).

EPHRAIM HARRIS

U.K. to make life harder for loan sharks

By WILLIAM RAYNOR

IN TIME NOW, Her Majesty's Stationery Office in London is due to publish a set of regulations which should put a smile on some faces and wipe it off a good many others. Some lenders who haven't actually paid up and find that, by law, they're not compelled to, and some less scrupulous sellers could find themselves out of business.

That the regulations are going to be by stages, is implement an Act of Parliament which is probably one of the most sweeping pieces of consumer legislation to have been enacted in Europe during the past decade. It is called the Consumer Credit Act, and the running of it falls straight into the lap of John Hoven, Director General of Fair Trading, an office not quite two years old which, in its way, is no less destructive and unusual, and provides the sort of administrative example consumer-legislating governments could do worse than know.

All forms of credit are going to be subject to the same set of rules," he says, "and anyone giving credit of up to £5,000 (IL66,250) to an individual consumer or an unincorporated body is going to need a licence. One of the criteria will be the reasonableness of the terms offered, and anyone who doesn't got a licence will be legally unable to enforce any credit agreement he is granted.

It's a pretty powerful sanction, and it is going to make life very much more difficult for people like me and second-mortgage sharks."

The effect, it will probably mean prices for almost everyone in the consumer credit business in Britain, from the big department store which sells clothes for a couple of pounds a month, to the man who offers hire-purchase on a washing-machine. Something like 100,000 notices in all will be issued by Hoven's office — "probably the biggest operation of its sort ever," he says — and it should start by the end of the year.

Although they will have to provide Methven with a lot of information, what he calls "fit and proper persons" need have no fear. And one thing which could come in for close scrutiny — for once — is that awful small print from which borrowers suffer the world over.

"The kinds of problems which bother consumers do not vary very much between developed countries," he points out, "although the kinds of solutions sought and adopted do tend to be very different." To which he might have added developing countries where, it could be argued, solutions are even more urgently needed for consumer problems, and yet, perhaps, come fairly low on the priority list.

By a simple system of monitoring all the complaints registered at citizens' advice bureaux and consumer advice centres up and down the country, Methven and his staff can find out quickly which traders to confront and which trades to subject to a voluntary code. And he stresses the word "voluntary," because he would much rather not have to compel — and so far, in fact, he says he hasn't.

His aim, through the office's new "Fair Deal" shoppers' guide — a publication "as ungovernment-like as possible to encourage people to read it" — is, he says, "to make sure the general public exercise discretion and know what is being offered to them."

As to whether standards overall are declining or — as a result of his labours — getting higher, he is not prepared to judge. But the important thing is that the Government has created a watchdog whose bite is worse than his bark. And a lot of less-protected consumers in other countries would if they could say "Amen" to that.

(GEMINI)

Hidden demand for gold

THE FIRST U.S. gold auction was a flop. Two million ounces representing more than $300m. in hard cash were offered for sale last January. The reason given for the auction was to afford American citizens, who were at long last legally permitted to buy gold, the chance to acquire the precious metal at home. Purchasing gold on the European markets was costing the troubled American balance of payments badly-needed dollars. To everyone's surprise, especially the Treasury people, only about a quarter of the gold offered was sold, almost exclusively to foreign buyers. And the price was significantly below the quotation at the time.

The French government decided to revalue their official reserves at $170 an ounce at the beginning of this year. By this act the French have apparently begun laying foundations for some sort of floor price for gold. The figure of $170 was reached by a formula whereby stocks are reassessed every half-year on the basis of market prices during preceding months. In fact the market price never fell more than $10 below the price fixed by the French treasury. (Whether this was due to intervention by the French authorities on the open market is anyone's guess.

Although it was widely believed that the second, smaller U.S. auction — only half a million ounces were offered — would again unsettle the free gold market, this assumption proved to be totally off the mark. Bids poured in for as much as four million ounces. Indeed, the bids were so competitive that all the gold offered was disposed of at within one per cent of the then free market quotation. Two of the largest Swiss banks, expert gold dealers, submitted bids for the whole of the amount of gold available, showing how firm an undertone the market had developed at current prices.

There seems to be increasing evidence of a considerable hidden demand for gold at the current *levels. This demand is usually* attributed to the oil sheikhs, who have plenty of cash available for investment. More important still, they have a vested interest in maintaining the value of their already substantial gold holdings.

If the U.S. Treasury should decide to auction larger amounts of gold, the gold price could of course drop again. But this is considered rather unlikely. The whole exercise has apparently led to the emergence of a tentative floor price for gold. Could the gold price rise in the future to still more impressive heights? This, though possible, is also rather unlikely.

J. VOET

Investment in shares advocated

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

Over the past decade, share prices advanced little more than half as much as the general price level. Investment in equities failed therefore to provide a hedge against inflation. One may, however, expect the resulting gap to narrow in course of time.

Such a prospect would make selective investment in shares at their current quotations advisable, just owing to their disappointing performance in the past — argued Mr. Manfred Gerstenfeld of Industrial Consultants at a seminar on the share market organized by Israel Management Centre recently.

His favourites were companies with a large stake in linked securities, such as mortgage banks, and some industrial ventures, e.g. American Israel Paper Mills. Real estate shares had the least chance now, he felt.

Mr. Meir Heth, of the Bank of Israel, warned that in a small stock market, like that in Israel, sharp price fluctuations are unavoidable. These may be turned to account by speculative investors, but are not encouraging popular holding of shares. He did not expect a sound share market to develop here before the implementation of a series of reforms — in company law, provision of credit, and accounting practice.

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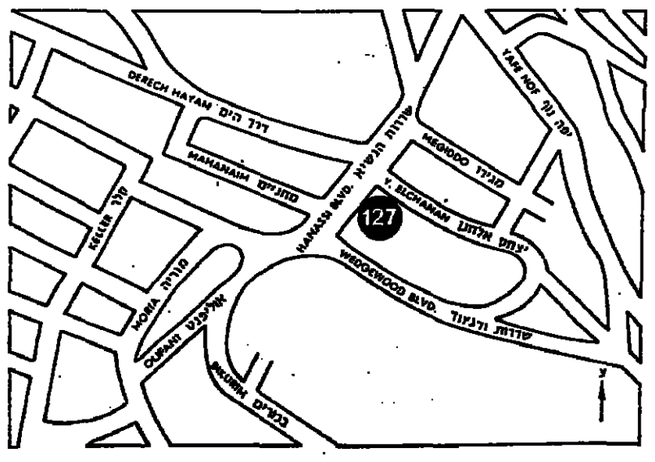

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MEXICAN ADVICE

PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA of Mexico has ended his visit and moved on across the Jordan to Amman, leaving some mixed feelings behind him.

He told us bluntly enough that we should withdraw from occupied territories if we seek peace, and we have no way of knowing whether he told the rulers of Arab states as bluntly that they should cease violence and make peace. There is no doubt, as he said, that he would be happy to be able to make even the smallest contribution towards a solution of the area's problems.

The truth is that it is becoming increasingly difficult to convince even our friends — and there is good reason to assume that President Echeverria remains a friend of Israel, as he has long been — that danger and sacrifice is involved in withdrawing from favourable strategic positions in the Sinai passes, while there is no risk at all in Sadat's vague agreement with visiting statesmen that he will end war when we have withdrawn to the 1967 borders and "restored the rights of the Palestinians." In 1967, we lost the charm of the underdog. We lost many of the friends we like, and found ourselves bracketed with ideologies and movements with which we are not particularly in sympathy.

Mexico has not forgotten the pain of losing half its territory to the U.S., and this territory was not occupied because Mexico had posed a military threat to America. Mexico knows no threat of war today, and its national service men serve one day a week for a year. There is still no better way of explaining our genuine predicament than by asking statesmen to see for themselves what our problems are on the ground, and at the present time even that is not always easy. Thus the mere fact of the visit was welcome, and so was President Echeverria's willingness to visit the Golan Heights.

He has given us assurances that he will do his best at the UN to ensure that the Soviet-Arab bloc does not attempt to exclude us from either the General Assembly or any of the subsidiary organizations. This was more palatable than his view that peace-making in the Middle East should be carried out by the UN, which is known to have a Soviet-Arab majority that for decades has prevented the passing of any resolution favourable to Israel, and voted so enthusiastically to allow Yasser Arafat to appear before the Assembly.

These are grave and even dangerous differences of opinion. We cannot dictate to our friends what their views shall be. Perhaps the best we can hope for is that they will preserve their friendship and not expect to dictate their views to us.

Divining Russian motivations at the Helsinki parley

Was the Helsinki Security Conference conceived by the Soviets as a genuine move towards detente, or as a means of strengthening the Russian hold on Eastern Europe — or both? Historians will argue this question for years, says OFNS commentator EDWARD CRANKSHAW. One thing is certain: Helsinki helped to dress up a hostile power in a cloak of respectability.

LONDON. — "A NECESSARY SUMMING-up of the political outcome of the Second World War," was Leonid Brezhnev's modest definition of the main achievement of the European Security Conference in Helsinki. In so far as the jamboree of 35 nations recognized the *status quo* in Eastern and Central Europe established by Russian arms in the interest of Russian power, I suppose it was fair enough to call this a summing-up of a political outcome. But necessary?

Certainly far from necessary to anybody else except the Russians. That it seemed very necessary to the Soviet leader we know from the way he has gone on about it for so many years. But one still has to ask why the leader of one of the greatest powers in the world found it at all necessary to devote so much time and energy in the realization of a rather childish get-together, which neither increased the security of the Soviet Union (or anybody else), nor added a millimetre to its real stature.

Russian motivations are always complicated and usually obscure. Historians still argue about the true intentions of Nicholas I towards Turkey on the eve of the Crimean War. Not all the secrets of all the archives yield up a firm answer — and one good reason, it seems to me, is that Nicholas himself did not know what his own intentions were from one week to the next.

We are similarly in the dark about what went on in the mind of his grandson, Nicholas II, when, in 1898, he startled an unbelieving world by demanding a grand disarmament conference (the forerunner of all others). He got his conference — at The Hague. Nothing was done about disarmament, of course, but certain rules for the conduct of war came out of it. Some historians insist that Nicholas was moved by genuine idealism in the spirit of the old Holy Alliance. Others see in it a rather desperate attempt to stop Austria re-equipping her army with new guns which Russia could not match. Nicholas himself would have been hard put to it to say which was right. I think the contemporary Soviet leadership is also unsure about its immediate objectives.

So historians will doubtless be arguing about Helsinki for many years to come. Was it conceived as a genuine move towards detente, or as a means of strengthening the Russian hold on Eastern Europe, or both? If the first, what could this sort of meeting achieve that is not achieved better by quiet diplomacy? If the second, how could speechmaking in Finland strengthen a position which depends on force of arms?

MUCH OF THE DRIVE towards Helsinki came, in my own view, from a need to feel good, which was frequently a complicating factor in pre-revolutionary Russian statesmanship and is now surfacing again after the Stalin era, during which the idea of goodness did not arise. We in England are so familiar with the need of the British to convince themselves of the nobility of even their shabbiest actions, that we forget that other nations may be similarly afflicted.

Russians tend to be rather touchingly eager for others to believe them, and the bigger the lie the greater the need. They long to appear respectable. Again, Russian statesmen have never liked untidiness. They are great believers in the virtue of formal documents, signed and sealed by all concerned — even if the documents mean very little. They have always felt most powerfully, with all the passion of anarchic spirits, the need to go by the book.

How much more must this apply to Russian Communists, proud custodians of the one and only book, men who assure themselves every hour of their waking day that all their actions accord with the grand theoretical design. How does East Europe fit into this design? Certainly they are all-powerful in Eastern and central Europe: nobody is going to drive them out and they know it. But what is their authority for this indubitable power?

It is all very well for them to tell themselves that they exercise no power other than their strong right arm upon which all fellow Communists may rely. This has come in useful in the past and doubtless will again. But it cuts very little ice in the larger world, and the appearance of tanks in rebellious city streets does not immediately bring to mind an image of moral rectitude. What Helsinki has done is bring all Europe and North America to something like a declared joint recognition of a situation only tacitly acknowledged so far. And this, I think, is as spiritually uplifting for Brezhnev and his friends as it is depressing for all those Poles, Czechs, Hungarians, etc., who have found comfort in the refusal of the West to agree that current arrangements are in any way sacrosanct.

THE SOVIET LEADER had something to say about national sovereignty, too. "It is only the people of each given State, and no one else, that has the sovereign right to resolve its internal affairs and establish internal laws."

This observation, said British Prime Minister Harold Wilson, was an important statement, which he took very seriously. But what did it mean? Wilson seemed to think it meant [illegible] inhibited Russian interv[illegible] anywhere, that it meant t[illegible] of the Brezhnev doctrin[illegible] had it been spelled out [illegible] 1968 Czechoslovakia wou[illegible] have been invaded.

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I think that all of us w[illegible] that the sovereign [illegible] Brezhnev was thinking [illegible] was the sovereign right [illegible] Soviet Union to do what [illegible] with its own citizens an[illegible] ject all outside protests. [illegible] be free to go on using the [illegible] persecute Jews for appl[illegible] leave the country, to to[illegible] Bukovsky slowly to de[illegible] consign a Grigorenk[illegible] limatic asylum, to stop o[illegible] Russians from travelling [illegible] and mixing with foreig[illegible] home.

The Berlin Wall still [illegible] There is nothing we can [illegible] it, and of course it-is b[illegible] have a working relations[illegible] Russia than cut ourse[illegible] from it entirely. But th[illegible] working arrangemen[illegible] working arrangements, [illegible] has not recanted it [illegible] declaration of ideologic[illegible] fare under the banner [illegible] istence. And ideological [illegible] to Russia is not simply [illegible] of intellectual debate: [illegible] no holds barred in streng[illegible] subversive movement[illegible] ever they can be fo[illegible] controlled in the name [illegible] munism.

This is unfriendly acti[illegible] should be seen and tr[illegible] such. In so far as Helsinki [illegible] to dress up a hostile po[illegible] cloak of respectability [illegible] not only a betrayal of the [illegible] of oppression, it wa[illegible] betrayal, too.

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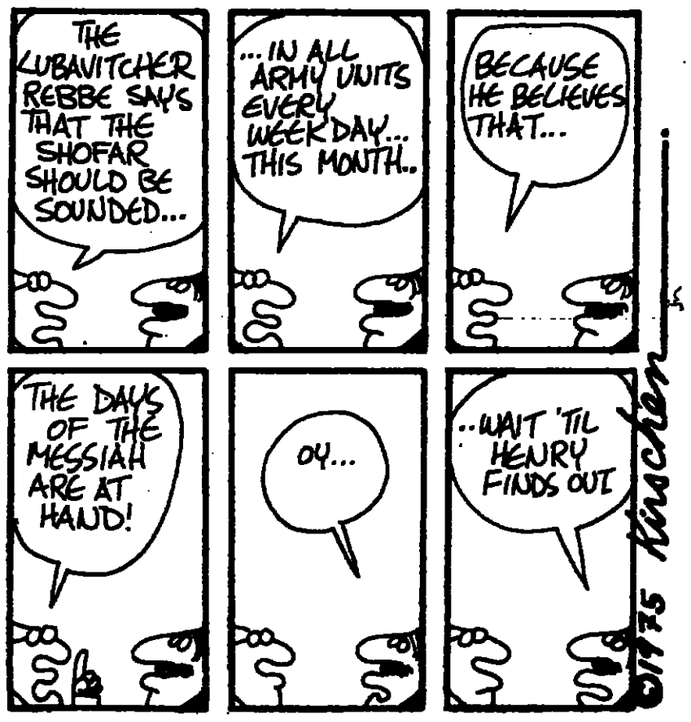

HEYKAL STAGES A COMEBACK — OF SORT

By NISSIM REJWAN

Special to the Jerusalem Post

MOST PEOPLE will naturally sympathize with a man who for reasons of politics and expediency has been barred from expressing his views in full or even relative freedom. Mohammed Hasanein Heykal, former Editor of Cairo's leading daily "Al Ahram" and a brilliant journalist, has always been much more than a writer with a clear view of the world. But since March 1974 he has found it almost impossible to express his views publicly on current issues though he has set down some of his ideas, in a rather fragmentary way, in two books he has since published — one on the Yom Kippur War and the other consisting of long conversations on Nasser and Nasserism as recorded in a dialogue with a Lebanese journalist.

Heykal has now staged a comeback of sorts. He is now to contribute a monthly article to the Beirut daily "Al Anwar." The first article, which appeared in the last week of July, turns out to be a four-part affair devoted mostly to yet another appraisal of his long-time friend and hero, the late Gamal Abdul Nasser. But Heykal's personal plight as a journalist living in a country whose press is virtually owned and controlled by the powers-that-be is eloquently described in the first part of the article, fittingly entitled "A Personal Talk."

Heykal has a way with words and he manages to say a great deal about his career and the circumstances in which he now finds himself. Of his ouster he says philosophically: "I had asserted my right, and the other party asserted his authority — and that's fair, I suppose." As to why he has chosen to return to regular journalistic writing, he admits the answer is complex: "Perhaps it is because I have something to say that concerns us and doesn't concern others; perhaps it is because there is an idea, or a trend of ideas, which I believe I can express; or perhaps because I don't choose to be anything but a journalist, and a journalist cannot but write on current affairs..."

BUT WHY NOT write in Egypt? "Am I barred from writing there? The answer is that I really don't know. To be fair, I was asked to write in Egypt, and I was told — and the man who said it is near and dear to me — 'Why not? Do you imagine there are obstacles?'" Heykal's answer was as follows:

"Let me be quite clear and to the point. During the 17 years I spent with 'Al Ahram' I had three responsibilities. In the first place, I was Chairman of the Board of Directors, and in this capacity there were no objections or reservations (about me)...Secondly, there was my responsibility as Editor-in-Chief, and here too no one objected — the contrary being perhaps the case... Thirdly, there was the responsibility of writing a weekly column, observing current affairs and day-to-day problems and offering views and opinions liable to prove right or wrong. It was from there that all the troubles were to come."

This being the case, Heykal goes on to explain, it was only logical for him "to draw the conclusions that had to be drawn." These conclusions led him to a conviction which he formulates in this way:

"It may well be that I am not barred from publishing in Egypt, but it is better, at this stage at least, that I should write from outside Egypt. As I once said, my life is still in Egypt, and so are my work and my grave. However, there is no harm in my publishing my writings abroad, since this will save others as well as myself from embarrassment. This is especially so because I want to be a committed writer... And a writer, as I said many years ago, can be committed only within his own convictions."

That Heykal believes there is no other outlet — no Egyptian outlet — for his articles becomes clear from an anecdote he tells about the former British Labour Foreign Secretary, now Lord George Brown. At a banquet at the Dorchester in London one evening, we are told, Heykal asked Brown jokingly — or perhaps spitefully: "Isn't it strange that a Socialist like yourself should find himself carrying the title of Lord?" After a short silence Brown replied, slowly and deliberately: "I was in need of an arena in which to appear. I needed a rostrum from which to speak. That's why I joined the House of Lords. Do you understand me?" Heykal admits he probably had not understood Brown at the time. "Now perhaps I understand him more — despite the distance between here and the British House of Lords."

Mere slogans

BUT WHAT IS IT that Heykal is committed to? In expounding his credo, Heykal is disappointing in that he writes in generalities bordering on mere slogans. In domestic affairs, he reiterates his belief in "the notions and principles of the Arab revolution as Abdul Nasser formulated them in the National Charter (of 1962) and the March 30 Manifesto of 1968, adapting them to the changing circum[illegible] and bringing them to [illegible] vanced and more pro[illegible] positions." In foreign [illegible] Heykal raises the slo[illegible] "solidarity between the [illegible] tion movement the wo[illegible] against all kinds of do[illegible] and exploitation; the un[illegible] history, struggle and d[illegible] the Arab nation; contr[illegible] working forces over th[illegible] of production and so o[illegible]

Then comes a short [illegible] *pro vita sua* in which [illegible] protests that virtually [illegible] criticism now being ai[illegible] the way Nasser's doctri[illegible] put into practice had be[illegible] by him. He relates that [illegible] who had first criticize[illegible] eptness of the Arab [illegible] Union, the pitfalls [illegible] bureaucracy and the [illegible] tices of the security au[illegible] In this connection, he sa[illegible] was he who first co[illegible] phrases "dawn visit[illegible] "power centres," an[illegible] from an article he wro[illegible] in which he called for [illegible] society in which law r[illegible] power centres are elim[illegible]

All this is no dou[illegible] However, it is surprisi[illegible] man of Heykal's wis[illegible] flexibility should over[illegible] cardinal lesson of histo[illegible] is that in such matter[illegible] portant thing is not wh[illegible] says the right thing bu[illegible]

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'Hour of decision in offing'

HA'ARETZ (independent) says that "the international background to U.S. policy in the Middle East is not one of open and uncompromising hostility to the Soviet Union. Nor can the present structure of relationships between them as regards the problems of our region be compared to that in the wake of the Sinai campaign in 1956. The relations now are characterized by competition over influence in Arab states, though Washington refrains, and even leans over backwards, not to annoy Moscow. Thus the view that the U.S. is waging a sequel to the Cold War in the Middle East is exaggerated, as is the argument that it is yielding wholesale to the Soviets in an effort to save the detente. The correct view is that the U.S. is determined not to abandon the region to the Soviets, and will be prepared to compromise with them only after consolidating its position here."

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Senior citizens

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In the United States, cinemas give large reductions to senior citizens with special identification cards for day-time performances, thus filling their theatres when business is normally slow.

There are many senior citizens in Israel who have the time, but not the income to go to regular cinema shows. If the cinema owners were to introduce day-time reductions for senior citizens, they would win thousands of steady customers.

JAMES SPRINGER

Ramat Gan, July 18.

Disgusted by rabbinical strife

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a member of the religious community, I, as undoubtedly many others, am becoming increasingly disgusted with the strife and petty quarrels of our leadership.

First there was the power struggle within the N.R.P., then the bickering in the religious councils, the continual accusations and counter-accusations of the two Chief Rabbis — both scholars and certainly familiar with *derech eretz* — and now the ill-chosen (to use a mild expression) remarks of Rabbi Lorincz and the equally ill-advised action by the Chief Rabbinate Council.

When reading the report (July 31) how Rabbi Lorincz compared — albeit indirectly — Rabbi Goren with Idi Amin in the Knesset, the famous talmudical story of Kamtza and Bar-Kamtza comes to mind. According to the Talmud, Jerusalem was destroyed because prominent leaders and rabbis stood by while one of them was publicly insulted and thrown out of a banquet just because he was invited by mistake and did not want to leave.

If for such a comparatively small matter Jerusalem was destroyed, what can we expect if there is continual strife amongst our leaders? What example do we set to our youth, to Jewry abroad, and to the whole world? It is about time for the rank and file members of parties, members of congregations and other organizations to speak up and withdraw their support from leaders who do not know how to act with dignity and have no respect for each other.

GERALD E. TAUBER

Ramat Aviv, July 31.

Preserving an anachronism

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to the article by Abraham Rabinovich, "Jerusalem preserved" (July 25), I wish to stress that, in modern town planning, one has to choose between the preservation of a quarter for romantic and sentimental reasons and the necessities of today's traffic.

Nahlat Shiva has no antiquarian value. The occasional boutiques there do not prove a thing and their standard is not very high. Similar houses and courtyards can be found in Mizkeret Moshe a[illegible] quarters which were built [illegible] of the last century.

On the other hand, the [illegible] north-south road [illegible] Jerusalem's centre would [illegible] traffic chaos and [illegible] bottlenecks which exist n[illegible]

The best solution wo[illegible] preserve only a small par[illegible] isting houses in Nahlat [illegible] the two synagogues and [illegible] planned road as soon as [illegible]

ABRAHAM S[illegible]

Jerusalem, July 28.

'Creative' guests

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was with great pleasure that I read your article on "Jerusalem preserved" (July 25) and in particular your comments about Mishkenot Sha'ananim. However, may I be permitted to point out that Mishkenot is not "a series of temporary homes for VIP guests of the city." We have strict criteria and those who are [illegible] stay are artists and "creat[illegible] from abroad and Israelis [illegible] won the Israel Prize. Whi[illegible] that some of our guests ar[illegible] known, this alone is not a [illegible] inviting them.

PETER [illegible]

Director, Mishkenot S[illegible]

Jerusalem, July 29.

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